

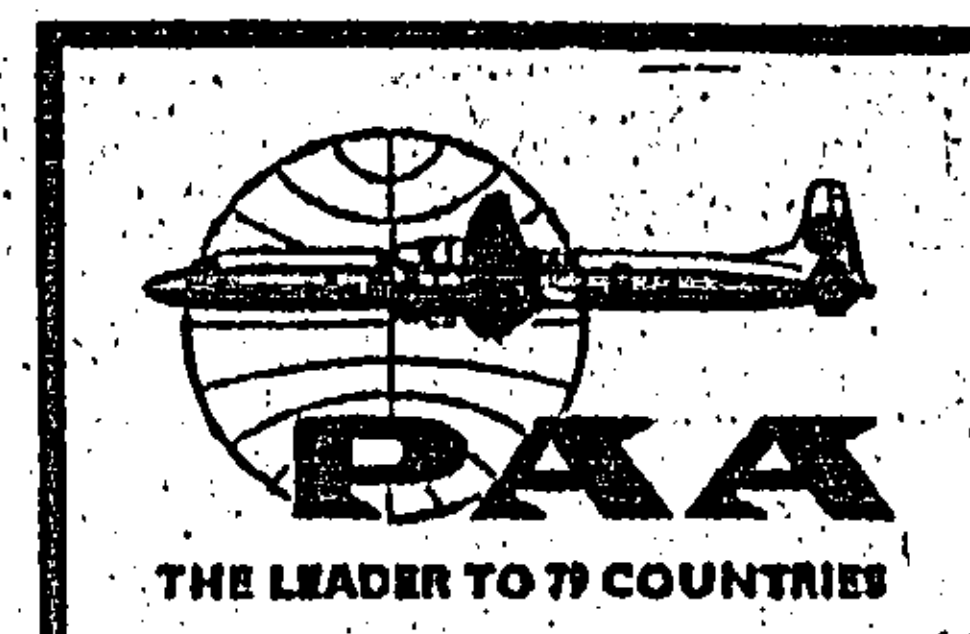
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**Comment
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**INVESTMENT
IN ASIA**

THE Hongkong and Shanghai Bank's annual report is more than of local interest. It deals with events of the past year throughout the East and is also a pointer to possible events to come and their effect on the economies of various countries within the orbit of the Bank's realm.

The year, as the Chairman points out, has not been too favourable for some of these countries, but he expresses the opinion that the future holds better prospects and that there should be many opportunities for investment of private capital as opposed to domestic loans and assistance from the various international agencies whether linked to the United Nations or otherwise.

Great strides have been made since the end of the war towards assisting the underdeveloped countries of the Far East by the application of vast sums of money. But there is a limit to which the Western nations can contribute this type of capital and there are already indications that it is now becoming short.

Down The Drain

PARTLY this is due to lack of sufficient political stability which is discouraging Western investment. The situation in Indonesia, for example, is far from satisfactory. Not only is there internal strife, but seizure of foreign assets by the Government does not help to allay the suspicion that it could also happen in the future. The upheavals in Ceylon have also had a warning effect, while Singapore, on the verge of self-government, gives every indication that it will be far too unstable for investment. The Singapore Minister of Commerce and Industry on Saturday night admitted that the island's economy was "slowly going down the drain."

New Markets

EVEN if stability is achieved there still remains the important fact that in establishing industries there must be an outlet for the manufactured goods. World markets are highly competitive as Hongkong knows all too well and with China stopping up her output of goods at low production costs in competition with the Colony and Japan the effect on the economies of the Southeast Asian countries has been very marked.

So if stability can be gained and investments guaranteed it will be necessary for the investing nations to accept more of Asia's output. As the Bank's Chairman says he does not underestimate the political difficulties for it is obvious that pressure will continue to be applied on governments to give protection to their own industries. Western Governments however should not yield to these demands without careful thought. Their investment has done much to build up Asia, and the West must now be prepared to assist these countries whose economies they have fostered by opening markets to their produce. Only in this way can Asia derive real benefit from the millions they have been so generously given.

**HK TRAFFIC POLICE TO START PILOT SCHEME SHORTLY
PARKING METERS HERE**

**Base-Poles
Already
Erected**

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Hongkong motorists will soon have to pay for parking their vehicles in Central District.

Base-poles for parking meters have already been erected in some parts of Central, and a Traffic Branch officer said this morning the meters will be in operation "shortly."

He added that Government would be making known details concerning the meters in a "day or two."

The base-poles have so far appeared on Connaught Road, Chater Road, and Douglas Street, off the waterfront.

200 Meters

Last year a Traffic Branch spokesman said this was a pilot scheme, and that 200 meters would eventually be installed in Central.

Unconfirmed reports say that Government has ordered a total of nearly 2,000 meters.

Once installed, motorists will have to pay for parking between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Monday to Friday, and from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

**UK Thors
Ready To
Be Fired**

Washington, March 15. The first Thor missiles based in Britain are considered "operational and ready to be fired," General Thomas E. White, U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff, said in testimony made public today.

In evidence before a private session of the Senate Preparedness sub-Committee on Thursday he said Europe could not be defended with conventional forces.

There was no amplification of this point in the heavily censored version of his testimony released today. General Maxwell Taylor, the Army Chief of Staff, had told the Committee earlier that the West could wage conventional warfare in Europe if only "satellite" divisions and not Soviet forces were committed.

Operational

Referring to British Thor missile bases, General White said: "The British have their first 'squadron' in the early stages of an operational capability. I mean by that they have the first or their missiles on launch pads which they consider to be operational and ready to be fired."

He said the Air Force believed the "decisive stage" of a nuclear war would be over in two or three days.

He was sure the United States had a preponderance of strategic forces over the Soviet Union, and that American bombers could attack Soviet targets successfully. He believed Russia greatly feared the U.S. Strategic Air Command—Reuters.

**DULLES VISITS HIS
SICK POODLE**

Washington, March 15.

Ailing Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, left the hospital for a leisurely drive to his home today and found that his French poodle had died.

The 71-year-old Dulles, who is undergoing cancer treatment at Walter Reed Army Medical Centre, was accompanied by Mrs. Dulles and a State Department Security Officer on the hour and 20-minute ride.

SLIGHT COUGH

Dulles said afterward that they rode through Rock Creek Park and then stopped at his residence. Asked if he had seen his French poodle, Rep. Dulles

observed that he had but "unfortunately, the dog has a slight cough."

A newsmen then asked how long Dulles expects to remain in the hospital.

"I don't know," he replied. "You'll have to ask the doctors."

The Secretary said he felt "pretty good," although he appeared drawn and has lost considerable weight.

He spent about 25 minutes at his residence.—U.P.I.

THIS IS IT!



These are two of the base-poles for Hongkong's first parking meters erected in Connaught Road. Others have been erected in Chater Road and Douglas Street off the waterfront.—China Mail Photo.

**Nato Allies Want More
Men For Europe: Taylor**

Washington, March 15.

Allied military commanders in Europe have asked for more men and up-to-date tanks to meet the Berlin crisis, according to a newly-released secret testimony by General Maxwell Taylor, the U.S. Army Chief of Staff, to a congress committee.

**MAIL-HAULING
ROCKETS
THIS YEAR**

Washington, March 15.

The Post Office Department expects to fire its first experimental mail-hauling rockets this year, the publication Washington Science Trends said today.

It said the Postmaster General, Arthur E. Summerfield, has asked the Defence Department to let him use obsolete Regulus or Snark missiles for the tests.

The publication quoted a post office spokesman as saying the first flights were expected to be launched this year.

Mr. Summerfield had said previously that he was giving serious consideration to the possibility of transporting mail by rocket.—U.P.I.

He told the Senate Preparedness sub-committee last Wednesday that both General Lauris Norstad, the Allied Supreme Commander in Europe, and General Henry Hodges, Commander of the United States Army in Europe, were anxious to get more troops.

Evacuate

Meanwhile, Assistant Senate Democratic leader, Mike Mansfield, urged the Government today to evacuate U.S. military dependents from Berlin.

The Montana Senator said the continued presence of military wives and children in the Communist-tinged city created a "hard situation" for American forces.

Sens. Paul Douglas (Democrat-Illinois) and Wallace F. Bennett (Republican-Utah) said today the United States would have trouble raising money to pay for a war over Berlin because of the huge national debt.

War Finance

"If Berlin should touch off trouble," Bennett said, "it would be very difficult to start to finance another war from this high level" of a \$200 billion national deficit.

"Well, that is true," Douglas agreed. Douglas said national security justified deficit spending and "we should not be afraid, for instance, of adequate defence because it might cost a billion or two billion more."—Reuters

**ONE TWIN
GIVES HIS
KIDNEY
TO OTHER**

Boston, March 15.

A life-or-death diagnosis for two 47-year-old twins will hang in the balance for some hours more, doctors disclosed yesterday.

Brigham Hospital physicians postponed until Monday any announcement on whether a kidney transplant operation for Peter and Jimmie Coxy was successful. The brothers are from North Carolina and Jim has had usually-fatal Bright's disease.

In an effort to save his twin, Jimmie donated a kidney of his own in a six-hour operation on Thursday. It was the 12th such operation in medical history and at the time doctors said it should take hours to decide whether it succeeded.

RARE OPERATION

This noon the Hospital announced that both men were in "satisfactory condition," but that no statement could be given today as to whether the success or failure of the surgery.

The men were flown to Boston by the Military Air Transport Command, when Jimmie's condition forced a decision to attempt the rare operation, which has only been successful in the case of identical twins.—U.P.I.

**TV STARS
SOCCER
MATCH
CHAOS**

London, March 15. Several people were injured tonight when 15,000 people crammed a London arena to see 11 television stars play a charity soccer match with the Trade Musicians Guild.

Police reinforcements had to be called when 50 teenagers clambered on to the roof of a stand in which were 500 people.

While police and park attendants tried to get them off, about 30 ambulances circled the ground waiting for an emergency.

Panicked

They were warned not to approach the ground to ease the crowd panicked.

A man and four children were taken to hospital for treatment when they were hurt in a rush on to the pitch as the players arrived. Several others received treatment on the ground for minor injuries.

At the end, rock 'n' roll singer, Tammy Steele, was carried off on a stretcher, but he was not hurt. It was a trick to stop his fans mobbing him. An ambulance man, who thought Steele had been hurt, rushed to his assistance, but fell and was taken away with bleeding nose.—Reuters.

**Celebrates
Her 138th
Birthday**

Warsaw, March 15.

Rosea Stankiewicz, whose identity card gives her date of birth as March 15, 1821, today celebrated what she claims is her 138th birthday in an eastern Polish village, Miankow Slary.

But the official Polish News Agency PAF said some people think she is younger and that a mistake has been made. Wars, occupations and frontier changes have destroyed most old birth records in the eastern regions.

She is a widow, in good health, drawing a monthly state pension of 800 zlotys—the price of a pair of shoes, or half the average net monthly wage of an industrial worker.—Reuters.

Tremor In Tokyo

Tokyo, March 16.

A "rather strong" earthquake jolted the Tokyo Bay area for several seconds this morning. The Government's central meteorological observatory said it did not believe the tremor was strong enough to cause any casualties or damage.—U.P.I.

**Nineteen
Negroes
(16 Of Them)
Children
Die In
Fires**

Cross Hill, S. C.,
March 15.

Nineteen negroes, 16 of them children, died in two early morning house fires in the United States today.

In one fire at Cross Hill, 11 people were killed, 10 of them children, when a fire destroyed a five-room house.

Eight members of another family, including six children were killed when a fire swept through their north Philadelphia home.

Beyond Saving

At Cross Hill, the fire was spotted at 1 a.m. but by the time fire-fighting equipment arrived on the scene the building was beyond saving.

Dan Byrd, 32, and eight of his nine children were among the victims. The other two victims were two small girls, first cousins of the Byrd children who were visiting at the house.

Byrd's wife was away at the time of the fire, visiting their ninth child who was ill in a Greenwood, South Carolina, Hospital. The Byrd children that were burned to death range in age from seven months to 10 years.

In Philadelphia, the victims were trapped in the three-storey brick building after the blaze began in a first floor dining room.

Police Captain Joseph Bonner said the fire was discovered by Willie Mae Johnson, 17, who was awakened by smoke. She woke her father, Cornell, 42, and the two tried vainly to extinguish the blaze.

Woke Wife

The father went back upstairs and woke his wife and the others while Willie Mae ran outside for help.

His wife, Anna, 39, threw her four-year-old daughter, Helen, down from the second floor. She was caught by a neighbour.

Then she and her husband jumped. Another daughter, Gloria, 15, also managed to escape.

When the blaze was extinguished, firemen brought out the eight dead.—U.P.I.

Border Fight

Damascus, March 15.

One Syrian was wounded and another is missing after being attacked inside Syrian territory by thirty armed Iraqis, a Syrian Army army spokesman said tonight.—Reuters.

**French
Reds
Suffer
Bad
Losses**

Paris, March 16.

France's powerful Communist Party suffered severe losses today in the second round of balloting for town and village councils.

Early returns indicated that pro-Gaullist and anti-Communist coalitions had jostled the Communists out of council seats all over the country. Defeat followed defeat despite the fact the Communist share of the popular vote appeared to be running over 20 per cent.

Popular Fronts

Of the first 637,283 votes counted, an unofficial tally showed the Communists had garnered 212,883.

Yet among the 85 councils represented by that vote, the Communists lost what seats they had held in about 20 of them and in about half a dozen cases Communist control was replaced by that of a pro-Gaullist coalition.

Even powerful Communist-Socialist "Popular Fronts" revived in about 50 municipalities for the first time in 12 years proved of little avail.

Complications

The Interior Minister, Jean Berthoin, told reporters:

"The complications of the balloting make it impossible to issue concrete figures tonight. However, it is clear that the Popular Front alliances have not been successful and on the other hand coalition lists against the Communists have scored marked successes."—U.P.I.

**One-Week's
Work
Changed
In Six Hours**

Newcastle, March 15.

A 25-yard long wooden fence at Thrus-Mills-Bridge, a village near here, which workmen finished painting green on Wednesday, was painted white last night.

Today a small plastic plaque was found screwed to the fence. It read: "This fence was repainted in the interests of aesthetics, by voluntary labour, March 1959."

A spokesman for the local council said: "The fence was painted green on the instructions of the Planning Department. Now it will probably have to be repainted."

It took council workmen a week to paint the fence. The unknown beauty lovers took six hours in darkness.—Reuters.

**Soviet Youth Urged To Give
Up Vodka And Horse Racing**

London, March 15.

RADIO Moscow today urged Soviet youth to give up vodka and horse racing.

The broadcast did it by reading an imaginary letter a young Soviet citizen wrote to his girl friend.

The letter is written to a girl named Natasha, and describes an outing at a race track. "The excitement here, Natasha, is of a very particular kind. Apart from a few genuine enthusiasts people come here with

only one aim in mind—to match some money."

"After three or four losses you see them all running all over the place looking for other 'lovers' to post their money with because they have not got enough cash for the next stake."

"And despite a special decree by the Moscow City Soviet, alcoholic drinks are on sale at the Hippodrome (track)," the letter continues. "I fully support Literaturnaya Gazeta (a Soviet magazine) which recently demanded the closing of the totalisator."

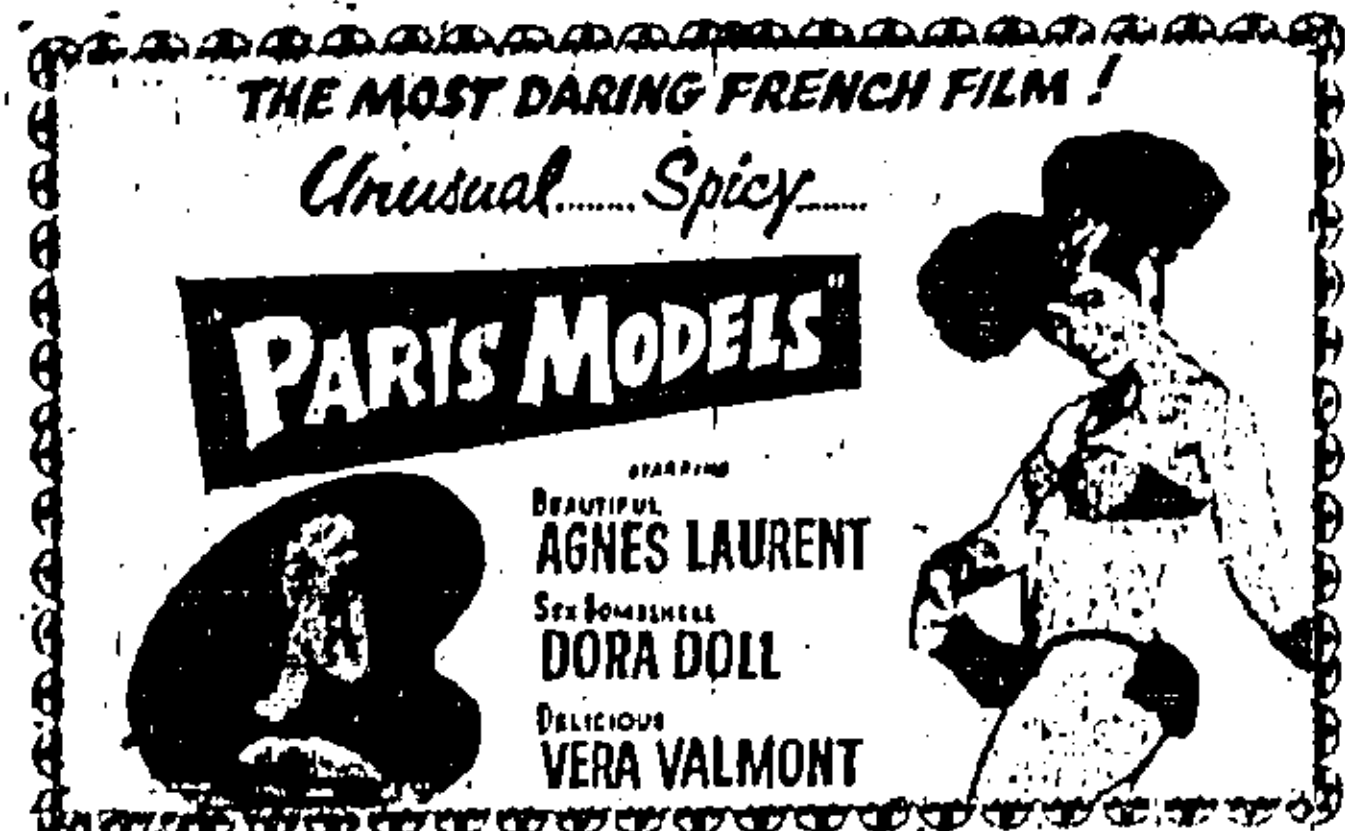
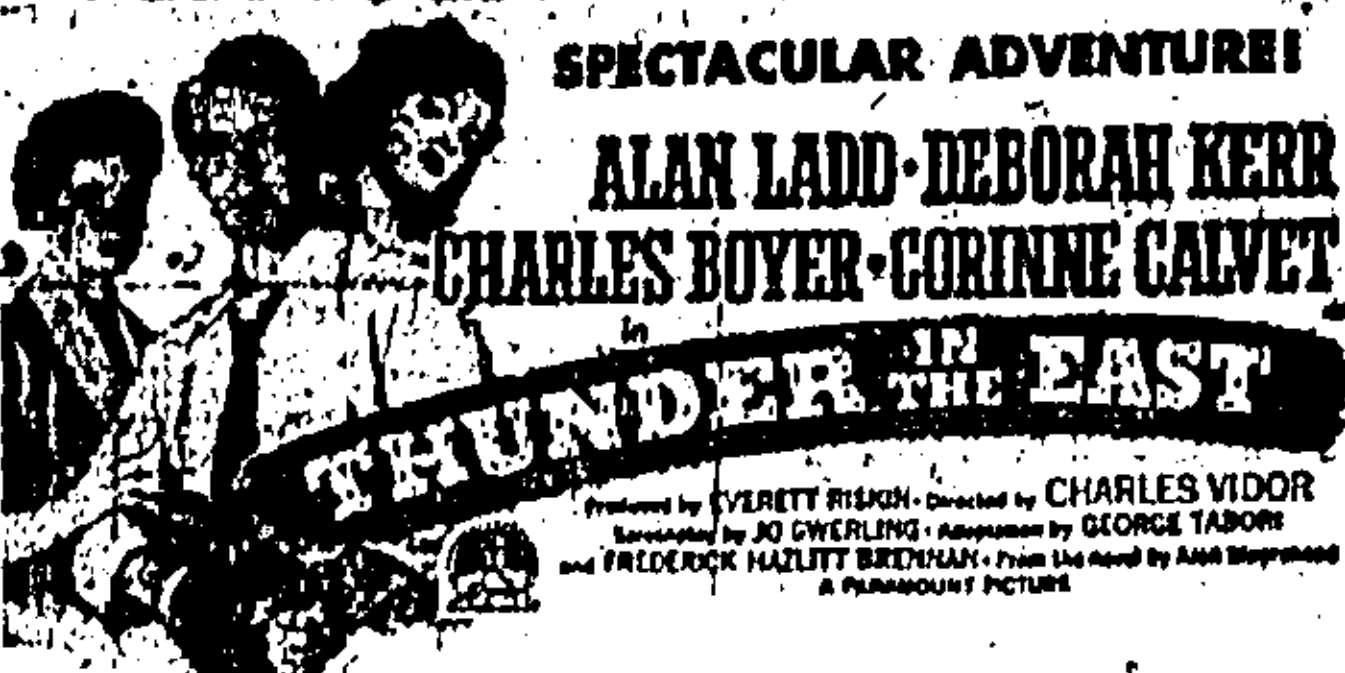
"This dirty gambling is spoiling our young people, accustomed them to live on the improper gains of gambling."

The letter ended with a plea to Natasha: "Please find out if among your friends there are some who spend their nights playing cards among tobacco stumps or in the Hippodrome has become a second shift."

The writer recommended that Natasha and other young Soviet citizens—U.S.S.R.—and skating during their leisure.—U.P.I.

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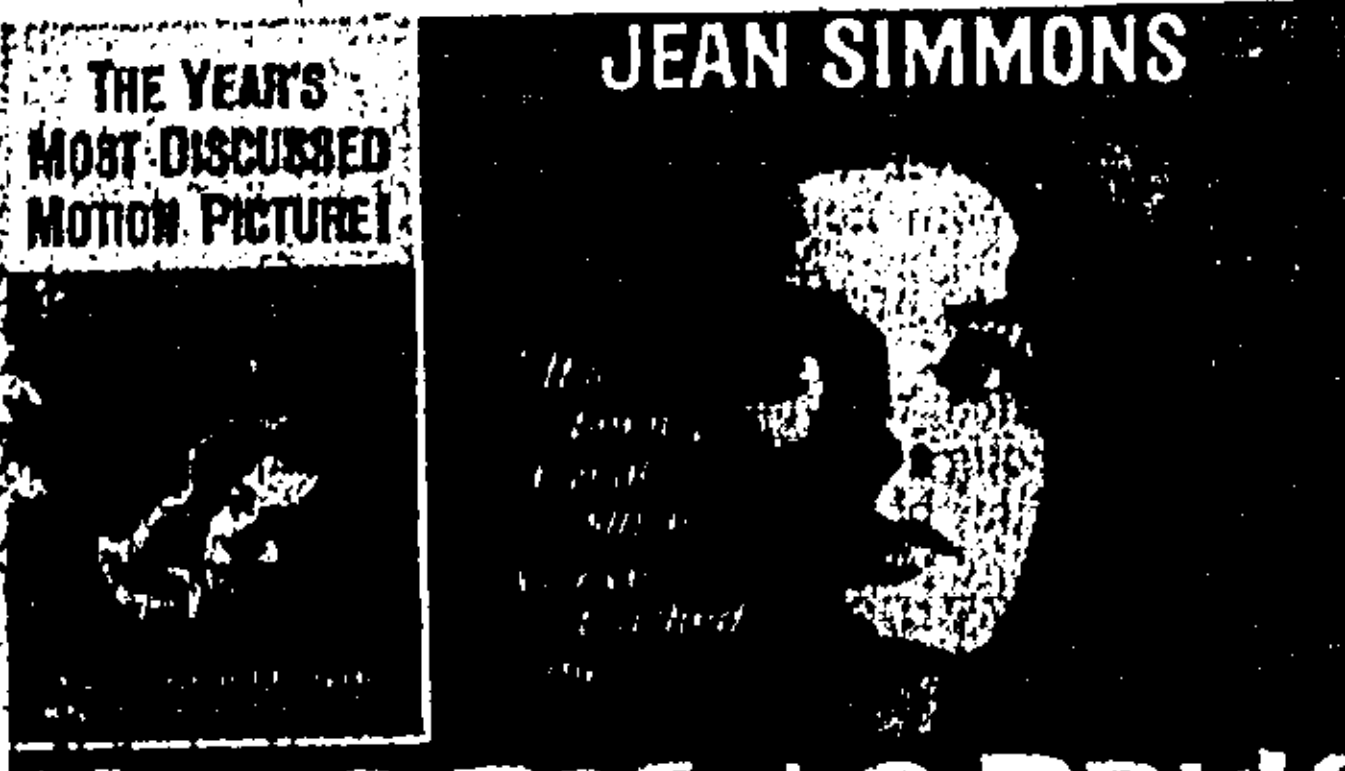
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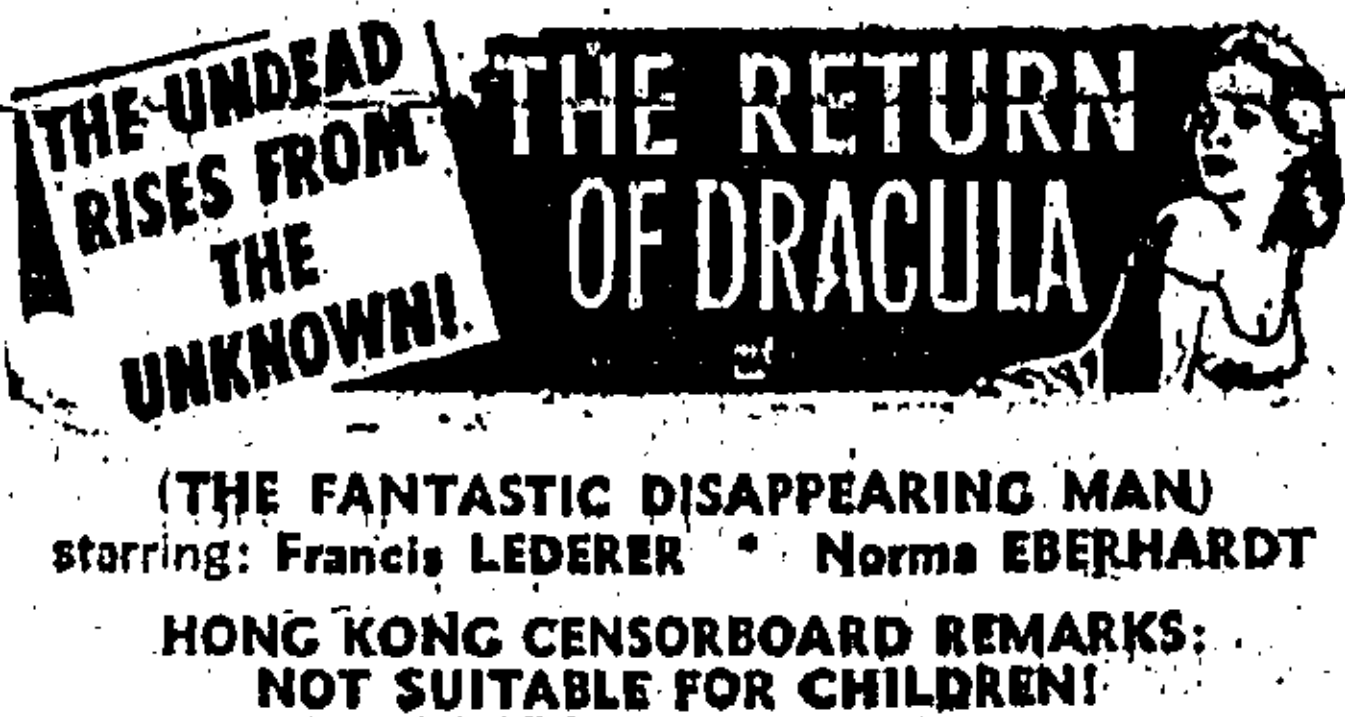
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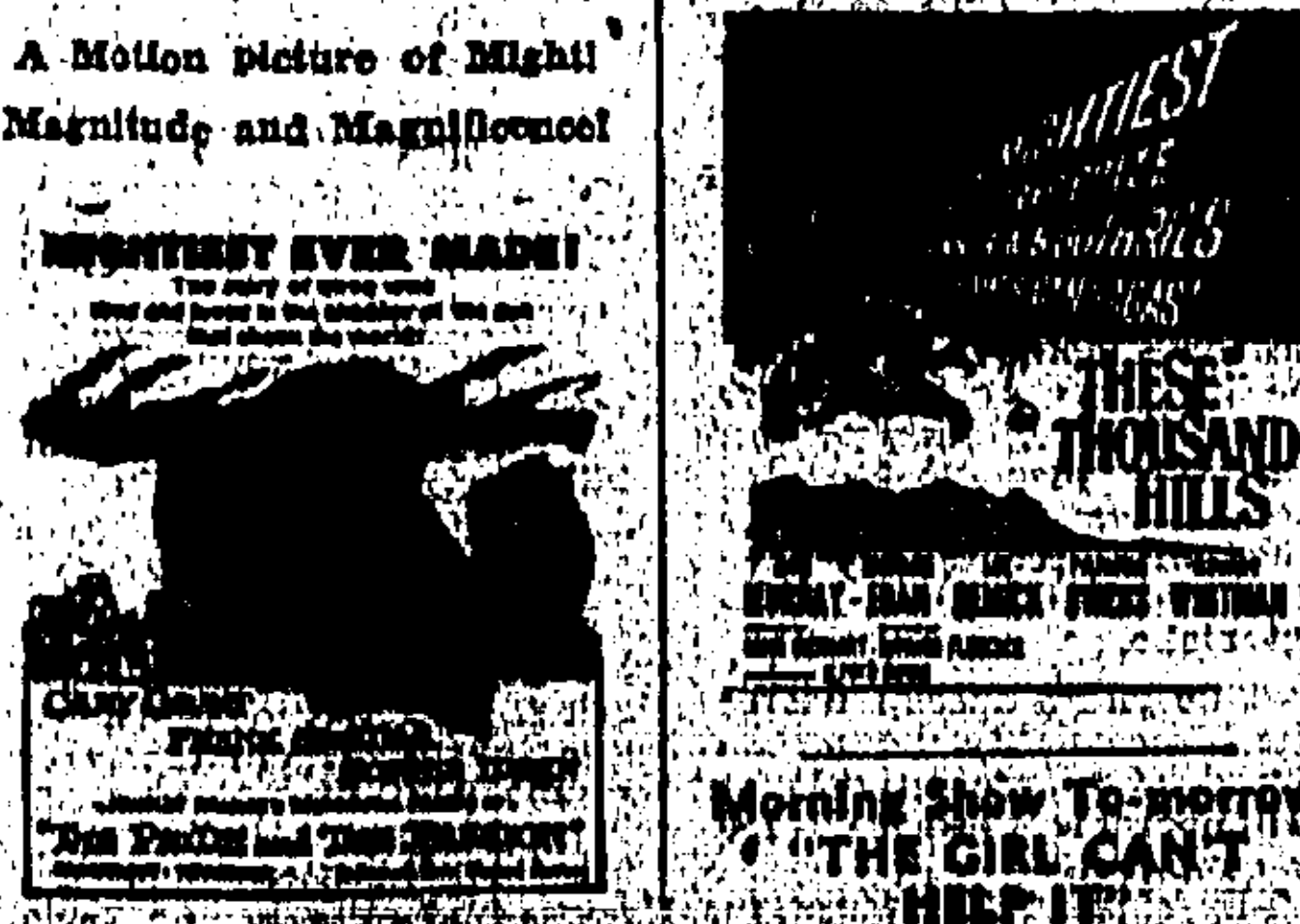


★ NEXT ATTRACTION ★



ORIENTAL MAJESTIC

SHOWING TO-DAY
At 2.30, 5.20, 7.30 & 9.30 p.m.



Scientists In Race To Reveal Secrets Of Venus

Jodrell Bank, March 15. British scientists at Jodrell Bank are racing against time—and America—to be the first to tell the world what lies under the cloud around Venus. The British have a dead-line of September 1. Then Venus will be 40 million miles from earth. It will not be as close again for 18 months.

A three-man team led by 26-year-old Dr. John Evans, will send radar signals to the planet and "catch" them on the rebound 11 minutes later. The signals will tell them how far Venus is from earth, how fast it is spinning, the nature of its surface, and whether it sends out radio signals of its own.

Man has never discovered these facts because of perpetual cloud over the planet. The British equipment includes a 18ft. valve to boost signals. The valve will get so hot that it must be packed round with water coolers and liquid air.

BRAIN

Apparatus will be hoisted 100ft. up into the towers of Jodrell Bank's radio-telescope. The echoes from Venus will be so faint that a special electronic brain is being built to detect them.

Dr Evans and his two assistants are competing against the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The Americans have vast resources and government backing. The British are making 90 per cent of the intricate apparatus themselves—mainly by hand.—London Express Service.

Nasser: More Revolts To Come

Damascus, March 15. President Nasser in a speech here today predicted that the revolt in Mosul, northern Iraq, last weekend would not be the last—"as long as there is dictatorship, terrorism and apostasy" in Iraq.

President Nasser said Communists in Egypt before the revolution there "tried by all means to convince the free officers of their ideology."

"They even tried with me, but I refused. I am not a believer in apostasy."—Reuter.

Prince Philip's Programme In The Solomon Islands

London, March 15. When the Duke of Edinburgh visits the Solomon Islands he will undertake a programme which will enable him to see nearly every activity carried on in the Protectorate.

The Duke is due to arrive at Gizo in the Royal Yacht Britannia on Wednesday, when he will be met by the Western Pacific High Commissioner, Sir John Gutch.

Together they will visit the new Gizo hospital and the Duke will later be entertained by a display of mission school activities.

Members of all races will attend a reception aboard the

NEW TRANS-ATLANTIC TELEPHONE CABLE

To Replace One Cut Last Month

New York, March 15. The American Telephone and Telegraph Co. announced today it is laying another trans-Atlantic telephone cable similar to the one cut last month.

Distraught Boy Takes His Life

Riverside, March 15. A 15-year-old boy who saw his father commit suicide two years ago took his own life after leaving a note dedicating his body to research of science. The body of Dennis James Henry was found in a field today behind the home of his foster parents, Mr and Mrs R. F. Meierhoff. A search was organised when the Meierhoffs found a note which read: "To whom it may concern—I dedicate my body to research of science. Give my love to all." It was signed, "the late Dennis Henry."—U.P.I.

Pow-wow Now

Montreal, March 15. Rebellious hereditary Indian chiefs of the six nations reserve here held a "pow-wow" today to plan their next move after being forcibly ousted by Mounties from the Ohsweken Council house they seized in a bloodless revolt a week ago.—Reuter.

The new \$40 millions all-weather cable will be the first one linking the American continent directly with the mainland of Europe. It will stretch 2,400 miles underwater from Penmarch, France, to Clarenville, Newfoundland.

The cable—actually two lines, one for East-to-West voice circuits and the other for West-to-East flow—will provide at least 36 voice circuits between the United States and the British Isles.

The current trans-Atlantic voice cable links the United States with the British Isles.

Mid-Ocean Splice. The new cable will primarily serve France and West Germany.

The cableship Monarch, the world's largest cable-laying vessel, was already at sea, ready to pay out the first leg of the cable starting at France. The first part of the operation was expected to take a month.

The end of the cable will be buoyed in mid-ocean until the two ends are spliced together.—U.P.I.

SATELLITE RETALIATION WARNING

New York, March 15. The Soviet Union reserves the right of retaliation if the U.S. sends a reconnaissance satellite into orbit over it, according to the Soviet magazine International Affairs.

The article was commenting on reports that the U.S. Air Force was planning to send reconnaissance satellites into orbit which could send back observations on the earth below to receiving stations in the United States.

It said the governments over whose territory these satellites passed had a right to retaliate with diplomatic representations "as well as reprisals and retaliations of a non-military nature" not necessarily in the cosmos, but on the ground and in the air.—Reuter.

SNAPPING SHRIMP EXPERT IS HONOURED

Washington, March 15. The National Academy of Sciences announced yesterday the award of a medal to the man who solved the mystery of the snapping shrimp in the Pacific War.

The man is Dr. Martin Wilgo Johnson, Professor of Marine Biology at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, California.

He will receive the academy's Agassiz Medal at ceremonies here in April. The award was established in 1911 by Sir John Murray, British scientist, to honour his friend, Alexander Agassiz, an American oceanographer.

Like Boiling Fat

In World War II naval commanders complained of a background noise which jammed their underwater listening devices. It sounded like "fat spluttering in a pan."

Dr Johnson traced the noise to beds of a kind of shrimp, less than an inch long. This shrimp cooks his oversize claw and shuts it with a snap.

If the steady tattoo of snapping shrimp upset U.S. acoustic devices, it did the same to those of the Japanese Navy.

Johnson showed the U.S. commanders where large shrimp beds existed in the Pacific. They marked these areas on their maps and avoided them thereafter.—U.P.I.

Chinese Bid To Make Train Travel Quieter, Less Bumpy

Peking, March 16. Chinese railroad builders are using extra long sections of rail—measuring 550 yards to over a mile long—on some stretches of track near Peking.

Usually lengths of rail are only about 40 feet long. An advantage of the long rails is that there are not so many joints and this reduces noise and vibration.

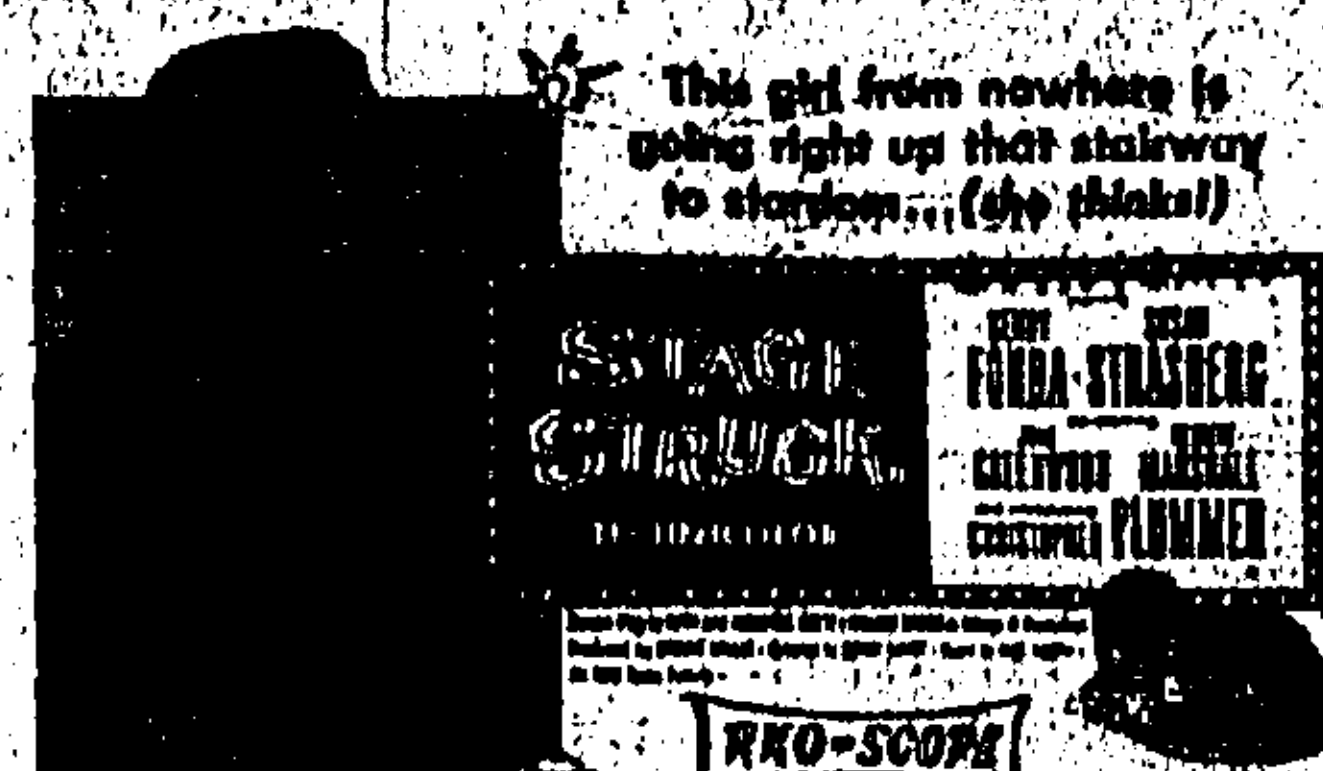
Also trains develop greater hauling power and long rails last five to seven years longer than short ones, thus reducing demands on material and manpower for repairs.—Reuter.

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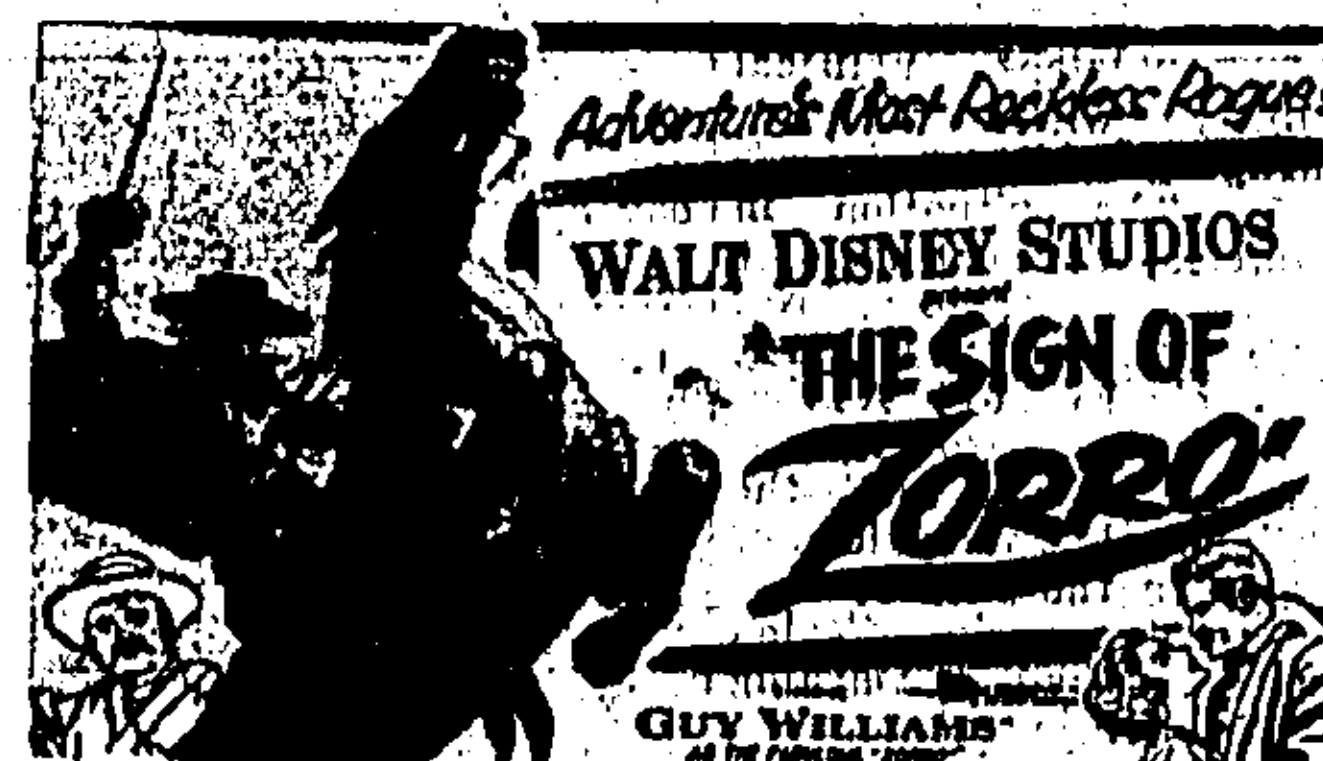
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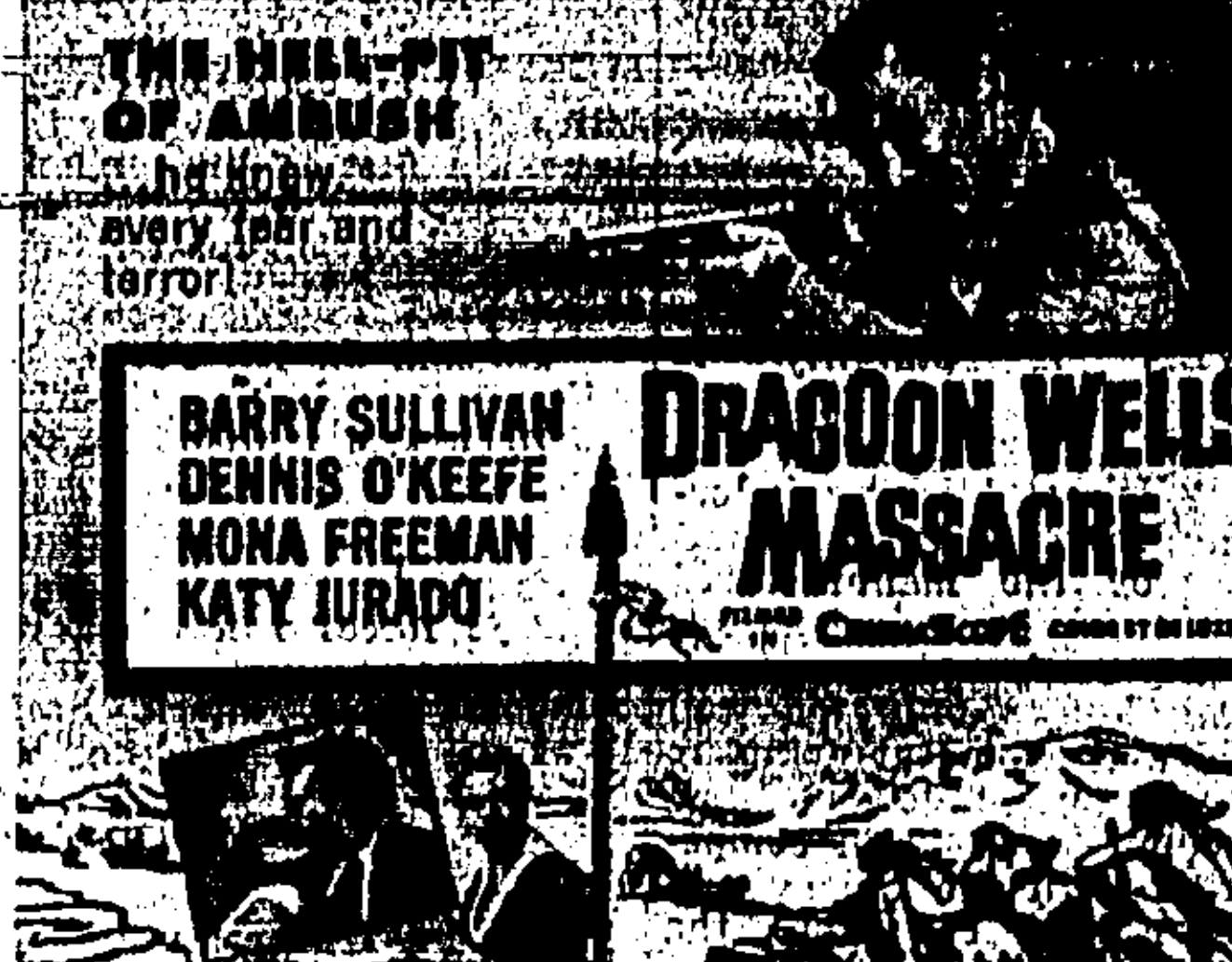
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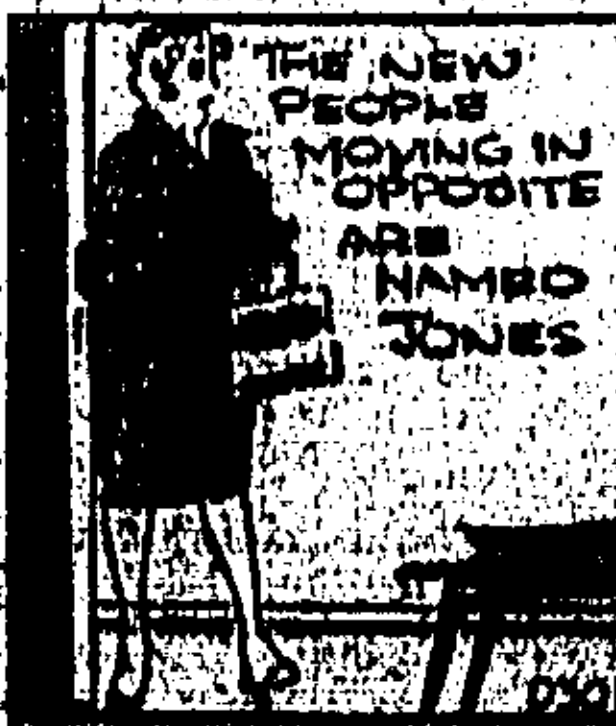


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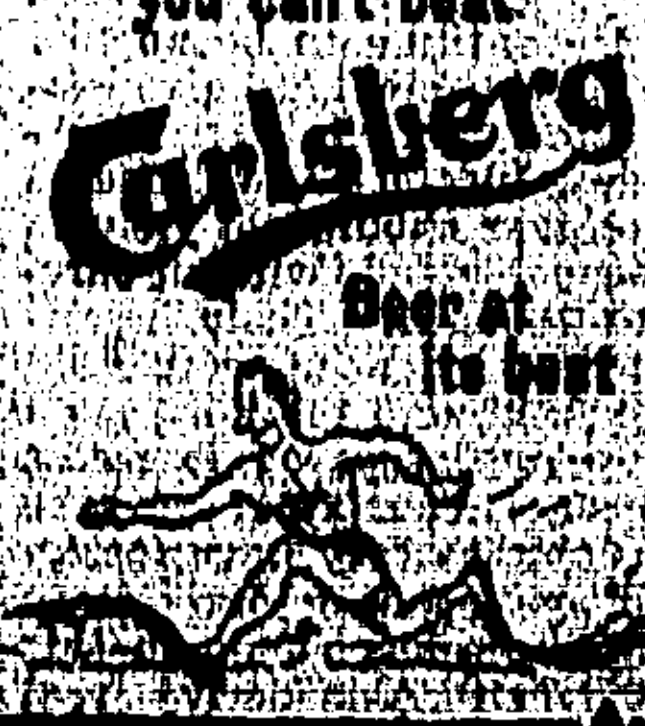


BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!

POP—Social status quo



By Gog





REUNION AFTER 14 YEARS

The last time Jan Dewar saw his two children was in 1945, when after fighting throughout the war in the Polish resistance, he fled to Britain from the Communists.

Here he prospered, building up a hardware business after starting out as a £7 a week labourer. He was told of his wife's death in 1949, and married again.

He kept trying to bring his

children out of Poland, at first unsuccessfully, but now, after a personal letter to the Polish first secretary, Mr Gomułka, he's won, and at Liverpool Street station Jack, 16, and his sister Maryka, 15, met their father for the first time since they were babies.

Running down the train, Jan failed to recognise them, but Jack was carrying a long-cherished oil painting of his father, and the likeness was still good enough for recognition.

Jan has two more children by his second wife Phyllis, but he said: "Both my wife and I want the children to stay... more than anything else in the world. It is up to the children. If they want to stay in England I shall apply to the Home Office and to the Polish Consulate for permission. But only if they say 'yes'. My wife and I must win their trust and love."

Picture shows Maryka, Jan, and Jack with the oil painting they recognised him by.



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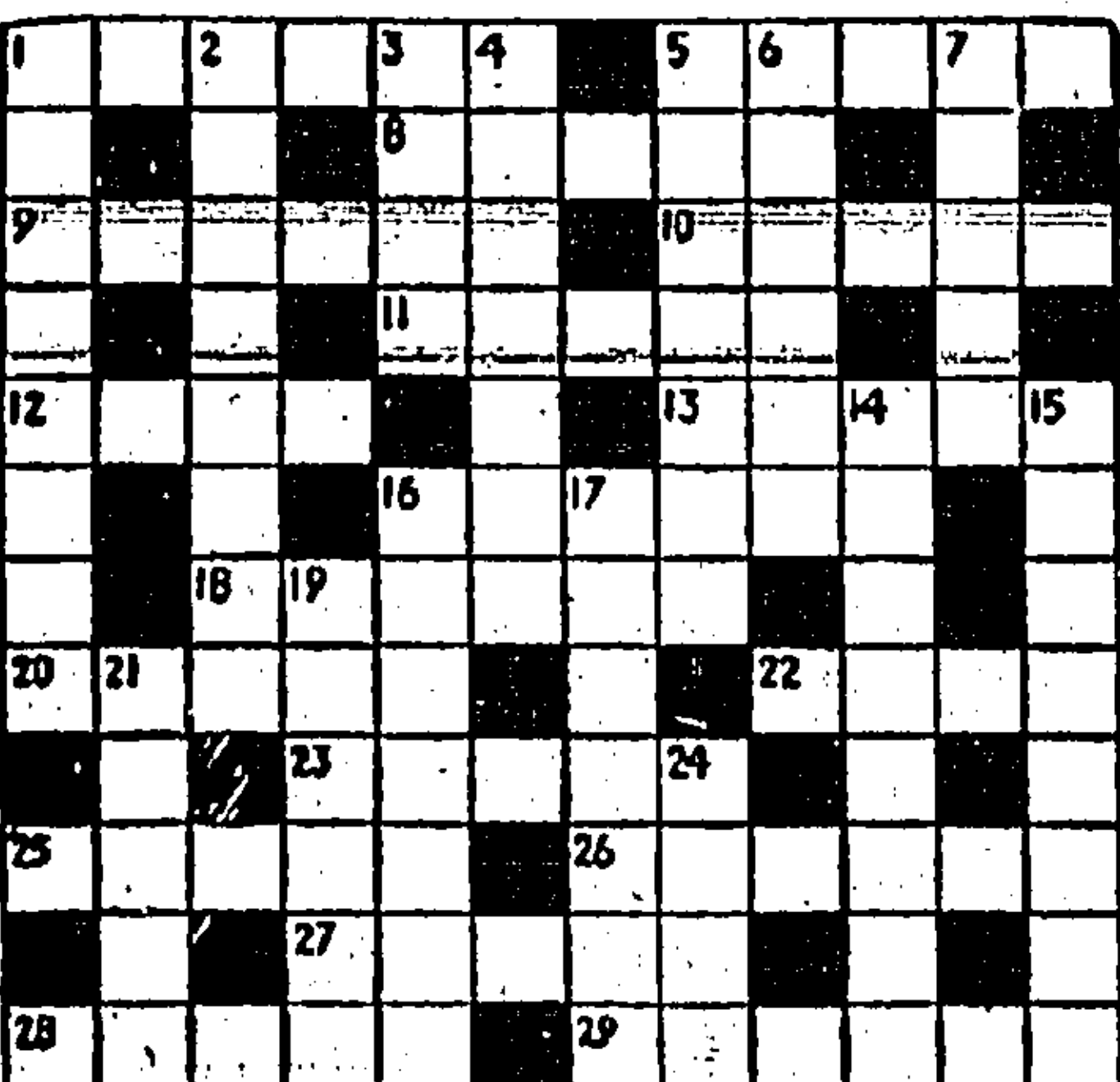
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 - Slacken.
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 - People.
 - Call on.
 - Apprentice for a commission.
 - Measure.
 - Global.
 - Up-to-date.
 - Travelled round.
 - Prophecy.
 - Part of wall.
 - Ventilated.
 - French money.
 - Idler.
 - Dance.
 - Savage.
 - Small shot.
- DOWN**
- Propitiate.
 - Set free.
 - Tale of heroism.
 - Bullfighter.
 - Venerated.
 - Pressman.
 - Foreigner.
 - Illegal.
 - Member of a U.S. political party.
 - Melodious.
 - Bring out.
 - Fruit.
 - Mistake.
 - Drug.

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THE FINAL SUMMING UP SHOWS — Four Bombs Ended Iraq Rebellion

Storm Batters Mid-West

Chicago, March 15. A hard-driving late winter storm battered parts of the Mid-West on Sunday for the second time in eight days, isolating many towns, stranding thousands of people, and clogging highways with drifts 10 feet deep.

States of emergency were declared in at least 12 Wisconsin counties as travel became impossible over streets and roads. Snow emergencies were issued in Milwaukee and Sheboygan.

Heavy drifts in South-Central Wisconsin near Randolph stalled a Chicago and North Western Railway passenger train.

Some 60 passengers aboard the train, en route from Minneapolis to Chicago, were transferred to school buses which managed to buck drifts and reach the train.

Railroad officials said the buses would carry the passengers to Milwaukee.—U.P.I.

AFRICAN ELECTION IN SHADOW OF RACIAL STRIFE

Salisbury, March 15. People of all races are due to vote in Northern Rhodesia next Friday in an election overshadowed by strife between white settlers and African nationalists in the Central African Federation.

The election is intended to create a new and more representative Legislative Council in Northern Rhodesia, which is at the same time a British Protectorate and a territory within the Federation.

The voters have to choose 14 European and eight African members to serve alongside eight appointed British officials.

It is possible for two African members to become Ministers. For the first time the elected members will outnumber the appointees in the Legislative Council, which has previously consisted of eight officials, two European and four African appointees, and only 12 elected members, all European.

Eight days before the election date leaders of the Zambia National Congress, which wanted to boycott the election as "a mockery of democracy," were arrested and their party was proscribed, like other African National Congresses within the Federation.

One Survives

But one Congress survives, the Northern Rhodesian National Congress from which the Zambia group broke away. The Northern Rhodesian Congress is running four African candidates in the election, although the Southern Rhodesian Ministry of Justice and Internal Affairs, Mr Reginald Molyneux, included it when he described all the Congresses on March 13 as "Communist organisations."

This is the first election to be held under the territory's new constitution, which was not acceptable in its entirety to any one section of the permanent residents. The white settlers had hoped for more self-government, and

the Africans had hoped for a majority in the Legislative Council.

Nearly one quarter of the people on the electoral roll are Africans, the highest proportion to have the vote so far.

A Colonial Office estimate of the population (in 1950) says there are 71,000 Europeans, 5,800 Asians, 1,000 "coloureds," and 2,140,000 Africans.

The Parties

Parties contesting the 22 seats are:

• The United Federal Party, under the Federal Prime Minister, Sir Roy Welensky;

• The Dominion Party, which forms the official opposition in the Federal and the Southern Rhodesian Parliaments;

• The Central Africa Party, formed last month by a former Premier of Southern Rhodesia, Mr Geoffrey Todd, and led here by Sir John Moffat, which advocates racial partnership;

• The Northern Rhodesian National Congress, whose president, Mr Harry Nkumbula, is one of its four candidates, and which wants a self-governing Northern Rhodesia with an African majority in a government; and

• The Southern Rhodesian National Congress, which is a government-recognised party and peacefully.

Underground

Salisbury, March 15. South Victoria's anti-prostitution campaign has literally driven prostitutes underground.

Police reported they arrested 14 prostitutes in a secret underground shelter.—U.P.I.

Everest's North Face "A Must"

Manchester, March 16. THE Manchester Guardian today stressed the interest of an attempt to climb Everest via the north face.

The Liberal daily said: "The north face of Everest is still one of the great question marks of mountaineering, and Sir Edmund Hillary has done well to seek from the Chinese Government leave to make a further attempt on it next year."

"He has had no answer yet, and it would not be surprising if he had none, other because Peking is sensitive about imperialists entering Tibet even for a purpose so politically innocent as mountaineering, or possibly because a Russian ex-

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pedition is being prepared for the same purpose.

"But how many visitors to the Communist countries have got their visas at the eleventh hour, when they had almost despaired of them? It is too soon to give up hope yet."

"The successful ascent of the south ridge of Everest by Hillary and Tensing in 1953 (and later by the second Swiss expedition) has largely obscured the remarkable route performed between the wars by a succession of British expeditions on

Bagdad, March 15. Four well-placed bombs ended any chance of success of the abortive Iraqi uprising, but blood-letting in street-to-street fighting continued for at least 72 hours, a recapitulation showed today.

Even though rebel leader Col. Abdul Wahab Shawaaf was dead and his body dragged through the streets, the encircled rebels fought from rooftops, graveyards and behind the marble walls of houses lining the narrow winding streets of ancient Mosul.

Sixty officers who escaped execution were flown under guard to Bagdad. The total number of Mosul dead may never be known.

Some may be lost in the muddy Tigris River. Others escaped only to die of wounds elsewhere.

Early casualty estimates unduly exaggerated the number of rebels killed, mostly among the opposing army factions.

Here is the recapitulation of the bloody four days which began last Sunday, and the events preceding them, as drawn from government communiques, newspapers and returning Mosul travellers.

Coup Warning

The Communist newspaper "Itihad Al Shaab" said "patriots" had long known that suspicious activities were going on in the Mosul area.

The said the patriots had warned the Bagdad authorities on Feb. 23 that UAR president Gamal Abdel Nasser was preparing a coup against Iraqi Premier Nuri al-Said.

On March 2, they warned the uprising might come in the next few days and that 500 pistols had been distributed at Tel Kutubik near Mosul.

The same sources reported that truckloads of arms were crossing the Syrian border daily as the result of a conspiracy hatched among some Syrian and Iraqi officials and army and intelligence officers on both sides.

Peace Rally

It is now apparent that the plot was timed to get in motion coincident with a giant peace rally attended in Mosul by peace partisans from all over Iraq.

Fights would be deliberately started to give Shawaaf's Fifth Brigade an excuse for taking over the city.

On March 6, one partisan was shot and wounded.

Major anti-Kassem forces demonstrated unhindered by Shawaaf, who told the partisans: "You demonstrated yesterday, it's their turn today."

That was the real start of the uprising. Rival demonstrators clashed and some were killed, according to rebel plan.

Shawaaf decreed a 5 p.m. curfew and under cover of this curfew deployed his forces to key positions in Mosul.

At the same time, loyalist officers were arrested. Twenty-four carloads of armed rebels were brought into the city.

Climax

Near midnight on Sunday the Bagdad Army command gave the mutineers six hours to surrender.

The climax came on Monday, March 8.

Four Air Force planes dropped incendiary bombs on Shawaaf's headquarters. One fell in the corner of his room.

Shawaaf "grinned" his face streaming blood. Under his arm he carried a submachine gun.

He headed for a camp hospital, but before he reached it he was recognized and killed by an army corporal.

It was the same day that the rebels dispatched two planes in an attempt to knock out all Bagdad radio transmitters.

the north side," the Manchester Guardian continued.

"Four climbers, two together and two by themselves, reached heights of about 28,000 feet, which was far higher than anyone had at that time gone on any other mountain."

"It was clear to them that there were serious technical difficulties still to be overcome. On the other hand, they had not the benefit of the lightweight oxygen equipment now available for Himalayan climbing, or of many other advances in equipment and knowledge of human physiology."

"It would be at the highest interest to learn whether the methods which have brought man to the summit of K2 and Kangchenjunga as well as of Everest itself, would succeed against the formidable defence of the north ridge," the Manchester Guardian concluded.

Election Charge In Singapore

Singapore, March 16. The leftist People's Action Party today charged that the Singapore Government was looking for an excuse to postpone the general elections scheduled for May.

Mr Lee Kuan-yew, P.A.P. secretary-general, urged a mass meeting of supporters not to get involved in any trouble while campaigning, since this would give the government a pretext to put the polls off.

Meanwhile the Singapore Indian Congress asked the government to postpone the elections indefinitely.

The secretary-general of the Congress, Mr R. Ramnathan, said this was necessary to allow a recently appointed commission time to inquire into the (M)\$500,000 bank account of a former minister.—Reuter.

CHOU HOLDS OUT BAIT TO JAPANESE

Tokyo, March 16. China's Prime Minister Chou En-lai said in Peking on Sunday that if the U.S. and Japan drop Taiwan they would continue to world peace.

To Japan Chou held out the bait of trade, a non-aggression pact and collective security treaty if the Kishi Government would abrogate its treaties with Taiwan and sign a peace treaty with Peking.

To the U.S. Chou held out a possibility of peace in the Far East and the whole world if it would abandon the Chiang Kai-shek Government and agree not to resort to force in the Far East.

Mr Chou made his statements to a group of Japanese Socialist Party leaders who are visiting Peking in an attempt to persuade China to resume trade with Japan.

Attack On Kishi

What Mr Chou told the Japanese, led by the Party Secretary-General, Inejiro Asanuma, was reported today by a Mainichi Shimbun newsmen who accompanied the group.

In a one-hour monologue, the dispatch said, Mr Chou attacked

the Japanese Prime Minister, Nobusuke Kishi, for his "many treaties with Taiwan."

He indicated that Peking was not prepared to resume trade with Japan until Japan signed a peace treaty with Peking and abrogated its treaties with the Chiang Kai-shek Government.

"In order to restore relations between Japan and China and conclude a peace treaty, the Japan-Taiwan treaties must be abrogated," Mr Chou said. "Japan must recognize there is only one China. This means a clash with America's imperialist policy."

Concerning Peking's attitude toward the U.S., Chou said: "Since Taiwan is China's internal problem, we agree that the U.S. and China should not resort to force. On the other hand the U.S. must not keep Chiang in its pocket. Chiang is not a child."—U.P.I.



Bearskins—The 'Humane Method'

Toronto, March 16. The mayors of two small towns in northern Ontario have spent the weekend planning a massive hunt for black bears to supply the British Army's elite Brigade of Guards with new headgear.

It looks like being the biggest and best-organized bear hunt in Canadian history.

As many as 4,000 bears may have to be hunted to get the necessary 1,800 top quality pelts to provide each guard with a new bearskin—the tall fur hats worn with their traditional dress when on ceremonial duties.

But the hunt is not likely to take place for some weeks. Deep snow is still on the ground, and the animals have not stirred from their hibernation.

Protests

Amid a mounting chorus of protests from animal lovers, who object to a mass killing of the animals, Mayor Del Villano of Timmins is still determined to aid the guards.

"Those people who are raising a fuss about the hunt being inhumane have no grounds for their criticism," he declared. "I'm a member of the Humane Society myself. We're no intention of using traps. We're going to shoot them with a rifle. What could be more humane than that?"

An official of the Canadian Agriculture Department pointed out that there were government bounties on killing bears which are regarded as a pest.

Biggest problem facing Mayor Del Villano appeared to be the question of skinning the animals.

One experienced hunter said: "Few people who have ever skinned one ever want to try it again."

"It takes about an hour to skin the animal, if the hunter is experienced, and another two or three days to scrape and salt the hide properly."—Reuter.

Biggest Show Building



Seen here from the air is the new Palais de la Defense, built just beyond the Paris city boundary and said to be the largest exhibition building in the world.

It will house from April 24 to May 3 the Paris International Floraria, the greatest flower show ever held.

It will be the first occasion the entire building—which has 18 acres of floor space—will have been used.—Reuterphoto.

Barnes Wallis:

(of the Dam Busters & the Swallow)

THE UNDAUNTED GENIUS SPEAKS

by Donald Gomery

TODAY, after he has come bouncing back into the news like one of his own dam-busting bombs, the tremendous genius whose name is Barnes Wallis will breakfast as usual off three spoonfuls of porridge and eight (always eight) prunes.

Dr Barnes Wallis, inventor of the stupendous 1,650-mile an hour Swallow, the plane that moves its wings and engines back and forward in flight, puts the porridge pot on as soon as he is up at 6.30.

Then, on the bathroom floor, he does three-quarters of an hour of physical exercises. He is 71.

Lunch, on a working day, he has without interruption at his desk: the crust of two rolls, a piece of cheese, and a pot of tea. He has a cup of tea in the afternoon.

Last night, when he got home, he had some cold rice pudding.

His secret

That's all he eats. And he has been eating meals like this for the last 20 years.

"A lean, trim, that's the secret of being fit," he says, and he pats his own stomach. His hair is white, but his body looks tough; he is quick of eye, speech, and movement, and his brain, of course, is a giant dynamo. I would have put his age at 58.

He does not smoke, drink, or eat meat. He gave up smoking "when I began to have children" as an example to them. (He was married at 38.) He doesn't eat meat because "I can't kill an animal myself, so I don't think it's fair that I should expect someone else to kill it for me."

He explains his present rather strange domestic arrangements by saying: "I'm a grass-grinder. My wife moves around."

Regularly visiting the grandchildren and children. This has taken her to Canada, the West Indies, the Middle East. At the moment she is in Birmingham.

"When I came to see you," I say, "I expected to find someone like that scientist in Nevil Shute's book 'No Highway'—you know, the part James Stewart played in the film."

"Good heavens, no," says Dr Wallis. "It was a good book, but the hero was eccentric. An engineer"—Wallis does not much care for the word scientist—"can't be an eccentric. He just has to apply logic."

We talk too of another film, "The Dam Busters," in which Michael Redgrave played Barnes Wallis. "Michael did it very well," he says, "but you can't put into two hours of film two years of misery."

Miseries

Misery? "Yes, misery—the misery when you have a machine, a masterpiece, something marvellous, and you can't get others to realise it."

There have been many such "miseries" of frustration in Barnes Wallis's life. Always he has been proved

right in the end. And I am thinking especially now of the Swallow; two years ago the Government dropped its financial backing, recently it changed its mind and decided to back it again.

Symbols

Barnes Wallis and I are talking in his office in the Vickers works at Weybridge, where these very wise men leave him alone and let him just get on with it.

Every inch of his huge desk is covered with books, papers, drawings. Beside it is a television set—drawing board, an astonishing thing, with wiring metal arms above it to carry light to any spot, and foot controls to tip it this way and that way, and every way except upside down. "It's like a dentist's chair," says Barnes Wallis, busily working the controls. "Heaven knows how much it cost." He loves it.

In one corner is a picture his team gave him on his

seventeenth birthday. It shows some of the major importance of his life—the crest of Christ's Hospital—the Bluecoat School he attended—to which he gave the £10,000 awarded him for his dam-busting bomb—the crest of 617 Squadron, which carried out the dam-busting raids—the Tallboy bomb and the Grand Slam bomb—these immense bombs he invented which also helped to win the war... the Wellesley plane he designed—the first really modern plane... the well loved Wellington which he also designed—the only decent bomber we had at the beginning of the war... the airship R100 which he designed and which flew successfully to Canada and back, but which was scrapped when the R101 (which he did not design) crashed on its maiden flight....

No rules

In the room, also, are two pictures of the Moehne Dam, "before and after," and in the

second picture, in the dam-busted boiling waters, Guy Gibson, V.C., has signed his name.

We talk of his other, 10-ton bombs. Barnes Wallis shows me an immense treatise he sent to the R.A.F. in the early part of the war, urging the use of giant bombs on German industry.

On the first page is a quotation from Thomas Hardy: "Experience is as to intensity and not as to duration." But the R.A.F. experts preferred lots of little bombs—"they thought I was mad."

Too easy

So Barnes Wallis distributed 100 stencilled copies of his huge treatise to the most influential people he knew (genius slinks by no rules). "The security men were furious." But he got his big bombs—eventually.

"My children tell me," says Barnes Wallis—he has four children and two who are

deceased—"that my career could not be repeated today; though I'm not sure that I agree. You need an exceptionally good physique, mind, you always buy or hire knowledge—the physical strain is terrible" (the one thing that has worried Barnes Wallis is the migraine headaches he has had since he was 12).

He began work at 16, as a week as an engineering apprentice. Up at five, at work at six, eight school till 10 at night.

"When your landlady makes you a cup of cocoa last thing and you fall asleep drinking it because you're so tired—that is living."

But nowadays apprentices get two days off in the week to go to technical school—and are taken there by bus. "Two days!"

Dr Barnes Wallis is not being egotistic about this, because he is not sure; but "I rather think that youngsters today perhaps get it too easy."

And he adds: "Education is providing us with men who are intellectual tools but where are the creative brains? You can always buy or hire knowledge—immense knowledge—to solve your problems. But who is the man who gets the ideas these other men are asked to work on?"

And suddenly he quotes Chaucer fluently to support him that men who have come up the hard way are more original than all the savants.

The ultimate

Finally, and inevitably, we move into a corner of his room where, on a pedestal, stands a 4ft. model of the Swallow. "London to Melbourne in seven hours. This is the ultimate form of manned aircraft," he says.

The Swallow's wings are at the normal angle for take-off. Dr Barnes Wallis bustles himself at a control box just beside

it... and the wings of the Swallow fold back for fast flight, and the engines move to and fro....

Inspiring

I tell you, truly, that watching that plane move like that is one of the awe-inspiring moments of my life.

"Isn't it lovely?" he says. "It's absolutely lovely."

And suddenly one feels terribly humble in the presence of this great inventor.

"Great inventor?" he says. "Nonsense. I just had the opportunity—and £7,000,000 of backing. We are all urged, finally by what we have left undone, not what we have done."

"The preamble of the talents, my boy."

And he said goodbye and took his brilliant brain back to his drawing board. London Express Service.

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JUST FANCY THAT

A unnamed chimney sweep whose chimney caught fire—the brigade had to be called—has been warned about it by Plympton, Devon, rural council.

THERE are 1,400 girls at the Elms Technical College, a Stoke-on-Trent pre-nursing institution. And one boy, 15-year-old Rex Meredith. He wants to be a nurse and would otherwise have to wait until he was 17 before going into a hospital.

FARMER John Leeks is trying to solve the mystery of his 60ft.-wide pond which vanished overnight—down a three-inch hole on the pond bed.

The pond has provided water for cattle on Grove Farm, Bramford, near Ipswich, for as long as villagers remember. Said 45-year-old Mr. Leeks: "The hole seems to be 8ft. deep. Though I am pouring 1,000 gallons of water an hour into the pond, it is still almost bone dry. The hole must join a subterranean river."

Now Farmer Leeks plans to make a plug for the hole, concrete the bottom of the pond, and use it as a swimming pool for his six children.

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AN EXECUTIVE-LEVEL INQUIRY . . . by FRANK ENTWISLE

SERIOUS news trickles from the deep-carpeted fastness of the Institute of Directors, prosperously and robustly situated among the noble refuges of Belgravia.

British bosses are getting anxious about their collective ulcers. Too many hearts that beat beneath smooth Savile Row suits are flitting with thrombosis.

Too many business brains are teetering on the brink of breakdown.

The pace

So a medical research unit has been set up to make a scientific study of the boss, his ailments, his death-rate, his work-routine, home-life, hobbies—and even the shape of the chair in which he sits.

For it is feared that the executive, buffeted by the arrival of new and mysterious industrial techniques, buffeted by the express pace of his environment, may suffer from occupational maladies as serious as the dust diseases of the miner or the bends of the diver.

Already, many big business organisations have their own medical-care organisations for managers. Senior men at the factories of Harlow New Town get regular twice-a-yearly examinations.

And up in Wales there is a medical resort for businessmen, situated in a romantic Victorian castle, with deer-park, fishing, a near-by golf course, and a

modernly equipped radiology department.

Bosses go there for regular examinations, where it is rumoured, the fees can be as steep as the Welsh hills.

Usually, the firm pays.

The man the Institute of Directors picked to put in charge of their new Medical Research Unit is a rather handsome 40-year-old called Dr H. Beric Wright, who got ideas about the scientific study of boss-stress as he mixed with oil-executives when he was employed by Shell.

I met him in his Belgrave Square office. He was relaxed and affable, sliding deep into his executive-type swivel chair as he talked.

Since he took over at the Institute in September he has written a pamphlet about the health problems of directors which says:

Gospel

"Evidence is accumulating which suggests it is time that some of the (medical) interest for so long devoted to the worker should be transferred to the director. It is becoming apparent that he is not perhaps as fit and efficient as he might be; he may in fact be becoming strained beyond his limit."

Already he has a gospel to preach to bosses which, he says, is based on psychological common sense.

And his main point is that the life of the executive should be "broadly based." He explains:

"The boss who has interests outside work—winning prizes at the local flower show, for instance—can stand up to the strains better. The 'broadly based' man can take a knock in business, and recover because he is doing well in some other sphere."

"Be a magistrate. Join the local council. Join the local hospital management committee, where they are short of good administrators. You may be using the same talents. That doesn't matter."

Dr Wright deprecates the currently fashionable practice of the over-open-door to the boss's office.

He believes that every boss should keep a "tigress" in his outer office, a real old battle-axe who will protect you through thick and thin. "An executive must have time to think alone—to think of future plans and leave the day-to-day routine to his lieutenants."

I asked him for a programme for executives—a set of rules for being a boss and staying alive.

He rattled off a list, some points of which would shake most bosses I know.

EXERCISE—Remember your heart is as flabby as the rest of

you. You must take exercise to develop cardiac reserve. When and how? Well, don't take the lift every day. Run up and down stairs. "Dr Wright."

That is what the doctors are doing to Eisenhower, he says. That is why he plays golf.

DIET—Find out what your weight should be and get within 10 or 15 per cent of it.

SMOKING—Fifteen to 20 cigarettes a day is heavy smoking. It leads to bronchial troubles and lowers resistance to pneumonia.

DRINKING—A little of what you fancy does you good. But try to cut lunch-time drinks.

BUSINESS LUNCHES—If you must have them, count them as work and relax afterwards. If they go on too long they mean work piles up and you go home late. That is not fair on wives and families.

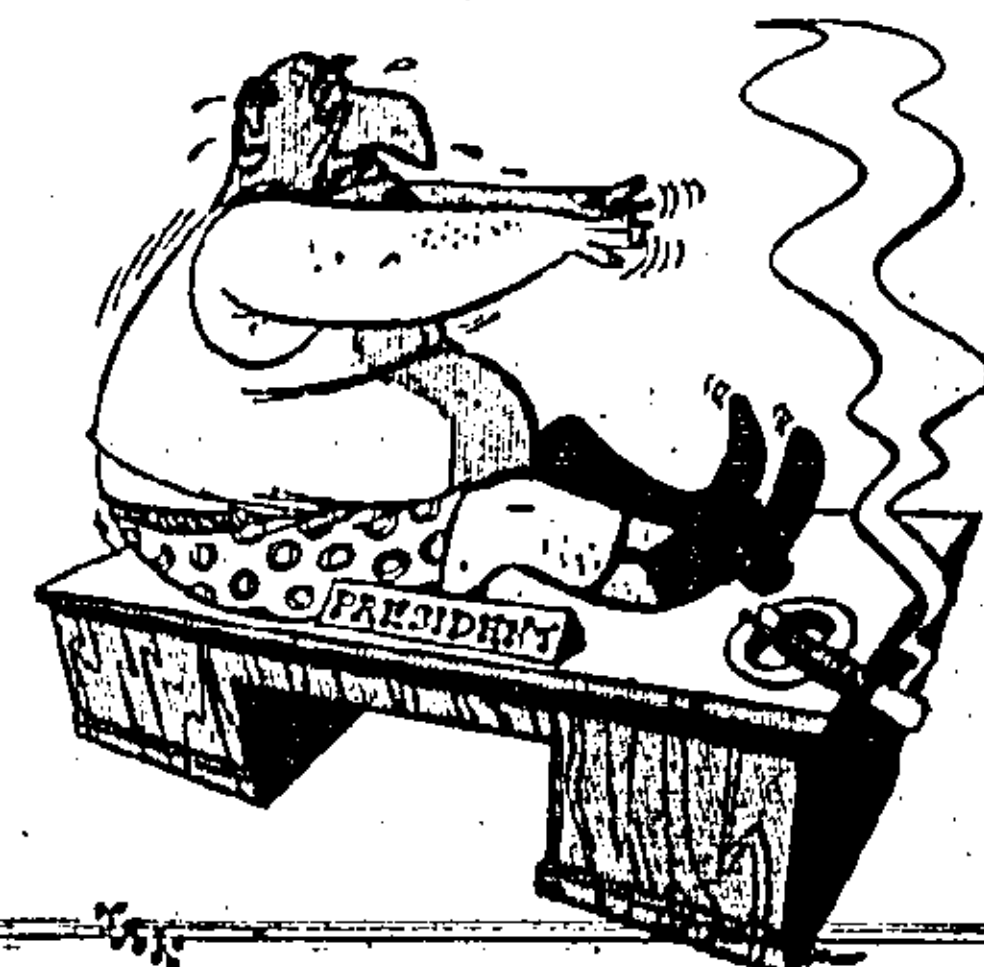
COCKTAIL PARTIES—An abomination. Avoid them.

ENTERTAINMENT—A firm should realise that this is work.

PAPER WORK—Try not signing any paper, memo or chit for three months that is not absolutely vital. The gain in time, money and efficiency may be surprising.

Too busy

HOLIDAYS—A man who is too busy to take his annual holiday should be pushed out of the office. Probably both his way of living and his responsibilities need investigation.



Snatching a few days here and there is no use.

THINK-TIME—A boss should take at least three 20-minute periods alone in his office with his feet up—doing nothing.

The ability to delegate work is one of the executive's greatest assets, says Dr Wright. Lack of confidence in subordinates is one of the first signs of breakdown.

To avoid such breakdowns more and more firms are setting up their own medical units for top employees. There is even talk of such a consulting unit being set up at the Institute of Directors. Bosses would go to London for regular examinations.

pleasure that his secretary was positively no tigress.

Nor did I notice anyone building up cardiac-reserve on the cushioned stairs.

The diners in the Institute club down below were tucking in to pea soup, trout, veal cutlet and apple pie, to say nothing of the loaded wine glasses.

The gospel will, of course, take time to percolate downstairs.

"Big firms are realising that senior people are often desperately in need of someone to talk to," says Dr Wright. "The industrial doctor must be able to talk his language."

"He must also be wise enough not to encourage the hypochondria which is so common among American businessmen who come to depend on the annual check-up for peace of mind."

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Their need

The executive's doctor is a special kind of animal, however. He must understand boss problems. Which is one reason why so few tycoons take their troubles to the family doctor.

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POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"General Franco, General de Gaulle, General Motors, General Givens!—Thank heaven, Fortinbras, you and I retired with the substantive rank of brigadier!"

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WOMANSENSE

Success In School

By GARRY CLEVEL AND MYERS, Ph.D.

No matter how bright your child is, he may not do well at school if he has not learned self-reliance and responsibility at home. He needs to have good practice at home in waiting on himself, conforming to essential family regulations and doing faithfully a number of home chores.

TEACHER COMPLAINS

So many mothers write me of the child, usually in the early grades, whose teacher complains that he must have constant personal attention from her.

"Tell me, I stand right over him," she often reports to the parent.

Typically, the parent just pleads with this child or ex-

horta him or even punishes him in the hope of making him more alert and self-reliant at school. But this does more harm than good. It doesn't occur to the parent that this child needs practice at home in self-reliance and responsibility, especially in doing regular jobs he can't escape any more than breathing.

ABOVE AVERAGE

More often than not, the youngster is of average or superior native ability. The brighter he is, the more skillful he may be at home in making his parents his servants and in not doing what he does not feel like doing.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

MONDAY, MARCH 16

BORN today, you are an executive by nature. You can plan things on a large scale and then carry them to completion. You know how to do it. You are not only able to do it, but you also are able to tell others how to do it. You are a natural leader. You like to be in charge. You like to be in control. You like to be in command. You like to be in charge. You like to be in control. You like to be in command.

Since you have a magnetic personality, you attract many

acquaintances and enjoy being the life of the party. You are adaptable when you want to be and can adjust to any kind of circumstance. The major difficulty is that you don't always choose to accommodate your own views to those of others. You have quite a mind of your own when you want to use it.

You are probably well off in public life, and you woman have a gift of interior decoration or landscaping. Your home will have beauty and charm and you will make a fine hostess.

Among those born on this date are: James Madison, U.S. President; Lord Augustus, Frederick, Duke of Edinburgh; A. A. Wetton, educator; and early president of Columbia University, Lillian Walden, singer.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Have a gay St. Patrick's Day party this evening at your own house. Festive fun.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Join in neighborhood group in some children's festival this afternoon. Enjoy yourself.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Pay close attention to business deals today. Don't forget there is a job to be done.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—All interests having to do with the creative arts are now favored. Introduce a new idea.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Follow through on well-made plans if you do. You can get excellent results if you do.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Write an important letter this morning which can deeply influence your future happiness.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Combine business, social and family duties in one integrated programme for success today.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Set out on a trip early. If your business takes you travelling, anticipate fine results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Promote a new idea and you will discover that it is well-received at this time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—Attend strictly to business until after luncheon. Then you can relax. Have fun.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 20)—You may be chairman of your club meeting committee. Today is a fine time for a club affair.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Get as much done as possible early in the morning. The trades are especially favoured.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

SOUTH might well have dropped the bidding at two spades. He did not. He bid high card points but his distribution was poor and a sure part score is not to be sneezed at.

North's jump to four spades was correct. He had a very sound raise and the heart bid made his jack-ten of that suit appear really valuable.

The opening diamond lead went to East's king and East promptly led the seven of clubs. South played low and West won with the jack.

Now West went into a long huddle. Had East started with

NORTH		EAST	
AKQ703	4		
J10			
AQ2			
K1083			
WEST		EAST	
1084		AJ	
Q8		DB753	
Q73		KJ108	
AQJ9		72	
SOUTH (D)		EAST	
AQ52			
AK42			
54			
K96			
No one vulnerable			
South	West	North	East
Pass	2A	Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—43			

only two clubs? That would give South something like four spades, three hearts, two diamonds and four clubs.

West decided that was a possible holding but unlikely from the bidding and that in any event his two clubs would keep. So West shifted to a trump and waited for developments.

South played three rounds of trumps stopping in dummy and then had his choice between a club and a heart finesse. He chose the heart finesse since he felt certain that West held both high clubs.

It was a Hobson's choice. He was right about the clubs but the heart was wrong also and after making a heart of hearts West was smart enough to take his ace of clubs right away.

CARD GAME

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HONGKONG FESTIVAL OF SPORT

New Colony Sprint Record The Highlight Of A Most Entertaining Afternoon

By I. M. MACTAVISH

Yesterday, as a pleasant break from weekend soccer, I went along to the Second Annual Outdoor Festival of Sport staged by the Amateur Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hongkong at the Government Stadium.

What a rewarding experience it was.

From half past one, when Mr Kwok Chan expressed his pleasure in declaring the Festival open, until after five o'clock there was a constant yet always changing pattern of sporting pursuits. There was surely something for everyone and the affiliated organisations, who participated in the programme did a first class job.

England 100

For Two

Auckland, March 16.
England had scored 100 for two wickets at lunch in reply to New Zealand's first innings of 181 when the second Test was resumed here today.

At lunch time the scoreboard read:
W. Watson b Hough 11
T. Graveney b Moir 46
P. Richardson not out 39
P. May not out 3
Extras 1
Wicketfalls: 1/26,
2/97.—Router.

Worst Golf

Moments

'BROKEN EGG' SHOT LOST 18th HOLE

By JOHN INGHAM

Pipe-smoking Scotsmen watched Gerald Micklen walking down the famous eighteenth fairway at St Andrews. Old course in the 1958 Amateur championship.

Micklen stood one up on Johnny Penrose Jr., an American from Florida with the determination of Hogan and a sharp game to match.

HUGE PIECE

Micklen swung an easy No. 6 iron, chopped up a huge piece of turf and hit probably the most feeble shot a thousand critical Scottish spectators have ever seen.

The ball jumped in the air and fell a few yards ahead like a broken egg. Micklen's next shot was quite different. He sent it skidding over the green and up to the wall at the back.

So the match was squared. But they missed a treat, for those who followed the match down the nineteenth saw Micklen's "front" partner, Peter, take to send Penrose Jr., packing back to the USA.

(London Express Service).

Halsingborg Draw With US Champions

New York, March 15.
Halsingborg of Sweden ended their soccer tour of America today with a 2-2 draw with Hakoah of New York, champions of the American league. Half-time score was 1-0 in favour of the Swedes.—U.P.I.

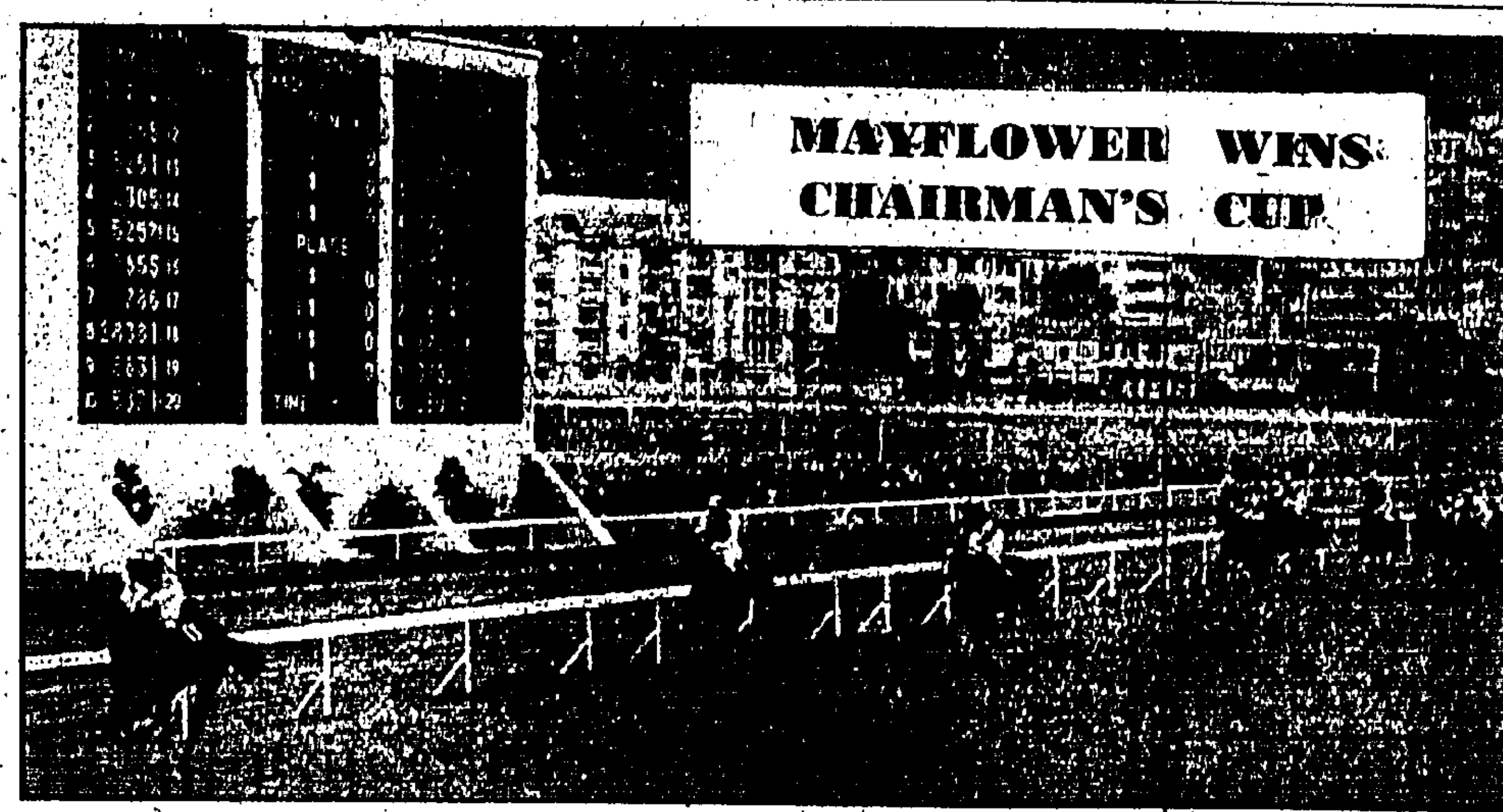
NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Programmes and Entry Forms for the 10th (East) Race Meeting 1958/59 to be held on Saturday 28th and Monday 30th March, 1959, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House, the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Tuesday, 17th March, 1959.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.



MAYFLOWER WINS
CHAIRMAN'S CUP

Mr Koo Shing-cheong's Mayflower (No. 8) shared top honours with Viewpoint, winner of the Lusitano Cup, at the last day of the Hongkong Jockey Club's Annual Race Meeting on Saturday by winning one of the two top events of the afternoon — the Chairman's Cup.

Photo shows Mayflower (ridden by M. Samarcq) coasting to a comfortable six-length win over the top favourite Cactus in the time of 2 mins 0.2 secs in the one mile 171 yards race for 1959 ponies.

The winner paid \$15.20 for a win and \$7.00 for a place. — China Mail Photo.

'Jumbo' Junior

It's the ambition of every Oxford rowing man to represent his University in the Boat Race and to end the supremacy of Cambridge over the four-and-a-quarter-mile stretch of the Thames from Putney to Mortlake.

But one man—21-year-old chemistry student David Edwards—has a personal reason for wishing to be in the Oxford crew that beats Cambridge.

He is the son of Group Captain "Jumbo" Edwards, the Oxford coach, who has the rare honour of being in complete charge of the crew's training.

It is many years since one man was the sole coach of a varsity crew. Usually three or four men like the job in turn.

Victory for Oxford this month would justify the break with tradition. And David Edwards, rowing at No. 6, can help to win new fame for his father.

Young Edwards, No. 6 in last year's Oxford crew, was one of the rebels who proposed to form a rival crew when Oxford president Ronnie Howard announced his training policy. The rebels later surrendered, and now David is giving his father full support.

Edwards senior and junior hope that family history will not repeat itself. "Jumbo" rowed twice for Oxford—each time in the losing crew.

Crossan Appeal Fails

Johnny Crossan, 20-year-old golden boy of Irish football, remains banned from soccer for life.

The Irish FA, meeting in Belfast last week, turned down his appeal against life suspension.

"I'm heartbroken," said Crossan. "It looks as if this is the end. Football was the game I lived for. I just don't know what I'll do now."

Crossan will never again be able to play in the Irish League. The Football League has also banned him.

But the Irish FA also decided to no longer defer any request for the transfer of Crossan's registration.

In effect they have told him: "You can't play in the Irish League, but you can go anywhere where they will have you."

Crossan said: "I will have to consider seriously going to the Continent."

CANADA RETAINS WORLD ICE HOCKEY TITLE

Canada won the world ice hockey championships here today despite a spectacular defeat at the hands of Czechoslovakia, who beat them by five goals to three in the final match of the series.

The Soviet Union was second but became European champions. Czechoslovakia took third place, followed by the United States.

Canada, who retained the world title after its 1958 win in the world and European championships at Oslo, has now 17 world ice-hockey titles to its credit.

Czechoslovakia today avenged its North American defeat with its victory over unbeaten Canada. The home team bowed to the United States 4-2 on Friday.

In the furious battle, the Canadians crowded their opponents' goal from the start. But when Canada's Floyd Crawford was sent off for cross-checking, Jan Stursi slipped through to open the score.

Sputtered on by their first goal the Czechs flashed over the ice in tight team work to enable Jaroslav Volf to score their second goal.

The Canadians got into their stride in the second period and Pete Conacher opened the North American account with a goal slipped in on a pass from John McIlellan.

In the fury of the battle newscasters frayed and the Canadian players, Dewbury, Benoit, Gosselin and McIlellan were ordered to rest. The Czechs again profited from their depleted opposition with Rudolf Polsch spurting through.

The final positions were:
1. Canada, played 5, won 4, lost 1, drawn 0, 21 goals to 7—8 points;
2. Russia, played 5, won 4, lost 1, 20 goals to 10, 8 pts.
3. Czechoslovakia, played 5, won 3, lost 2, 22 goals to 14, 6 pts.
4. United States, played 5, won 3, lost 2, 23 goals to 15, 6 pts.
5. Sweden, played 5, won 3, lost 2, 21 goals to 15, 6 pts.
6. Finland, played 5, lost 5, 7 goals to 32, 0 pts.—France-Press.

Winning Cup Not So Important As Keeping It Clean

Montreal, March 15.
A leading Montreal newspaper commenting tonight on Canada's retention of the "World hockey crown" suggested "perhaps winning the cup is not as important as keeping the cup clean."

The 24-year-old Werner streaked down the mile and three-quarter nose-diving trail in 1 minute 55.3 seconds, bettering the time of second-place finisher Gordon Eaton of Middlebury College by 4.4 seconds. Pete Ryan of Mont Tremblant, Canada, was third with a time of two minutes even.

In Snow Storm
The weekend championships, which started in a blinding snow storm and ended under cloudy but near-ideal conditions, will be given a special mention when the US men's and women's teams are chosen for the 1960 Olympics at Squaw Valley, California, next winter.

Placing second behind Werner in the men's combined was Charles Farnham of Aspen, Colorado, who was sixth in the slalom today. Farnham was

second to Werner in the giant slalom and the slalom.

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Colony Chess Tourney Begins

By "FIANCHETTO"

The first round of the Colony Open Chess Championships was played off at the Peninsula Hotel last Thursday.

Mr B. C. Field, Chairman of the Hongkong Chess Club, opened the championships by making the first move and from then onwards, 14 competitors settled down to some serious play.

J. C. Elliott of the Australian Trade Commission found the correct reply to the Benoni Counter Gambit 1) P-Q4, P-QB4 with P-Q3 and subsequently made an aggressive frontal attack on J. Tipping's Castled King Side by opening up his own Castled King's Knight File. J. Tipping succumbed after only 23 moves.

FRONTAL ATTACK

Pte. D. Branch of the RAMC also attempted a similar frontal attack by possessing an open knight file with both his rooks against J.G. Rees, but his remaining pieces were unable to give support and the latter player had little difficulty in defending his castled king. Branch was subjected to a vicious counter attack by Rees, who won the Queen for a rook and Branch resigned when faced with the loss of his other rook from a further check by his adversary.

The second round is due to be played at the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday, March 19.

THE RESULTS

Last Thursday's results were—
E. Krouk 1, Lat Sai Chi 0;
J. C. Elliott 1, J. Tipping 0;
Wing-kyong 1, M. Radcliffe 0;
C. H. Hughton 1, Lee Chi-hoi 0;
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Ko Chi 1, To Yu-lau 0;
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Sports Diary

TODAY

Colony Open Badminton Championships at Recreation Club, 7:30 p.m.
Colony Open Chess Championships, Chester Road, 8:30 p.m.
Meeting
Football Council Meeting, Shell Club, 8:00 p.m.
Athletics
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HKFA Interport Sub-Committee meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Athletics
Land Forces Individual Athletics Championships, Boundary Street, 11 a.m.

Clean Sweep By Bud Werner At Vermont Ski Championships

Stowe, March 15.
Bud Werner of Steamboat Springs, Colorado, completed a sweep of the Vermont Alpine ski championships today by winning the downhill event and the combined title.

Betsy Snite, of Norwich, Vermont, placed fourth in the women's downhill but won the combined title on the strength of her slalom and giant slalom victories on Friday and Saturday.

The 24-year-old Werner streaked down the mile and three-quarter nose-diving trail in 1 minute 55.3 seconds, bettering the time of second-place finisher Gordon Eaton of Middlebury College by 4.4 seconds. Pete Ryan of Mont Tremblant, Canada, was third with a time of two minutes even.

In Snow Storm
The weekend championships, which started in a blinding snow storm and ended under cloudy but near-ideal conditions, will be given a special mention when the US men's and women's teams are chosen for the 1960 Olympics at Squaw Valley, California, next winter.

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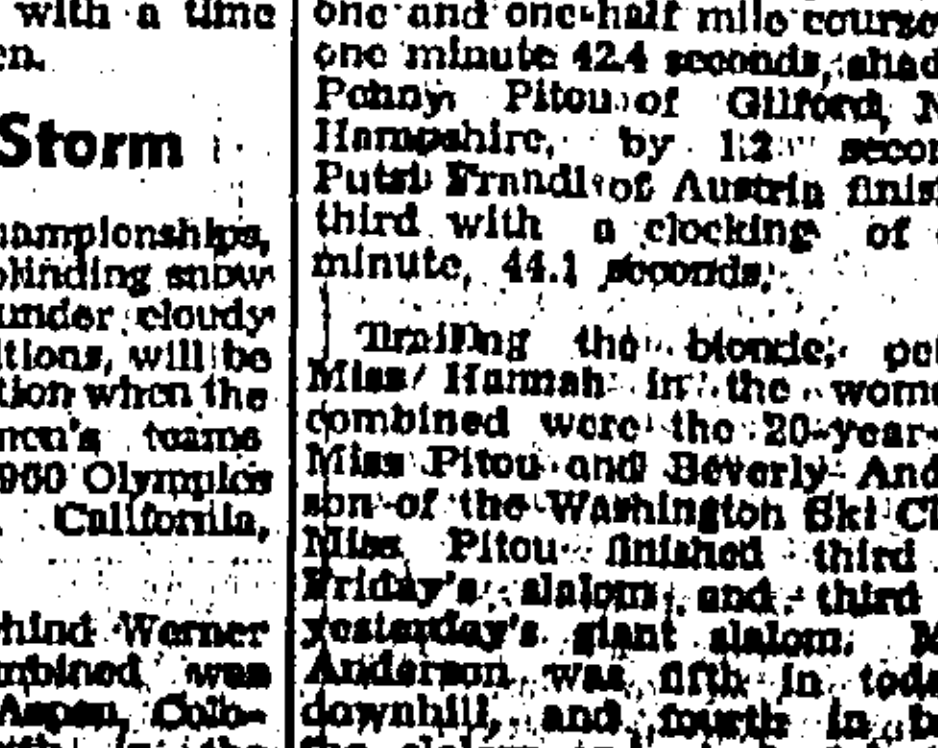
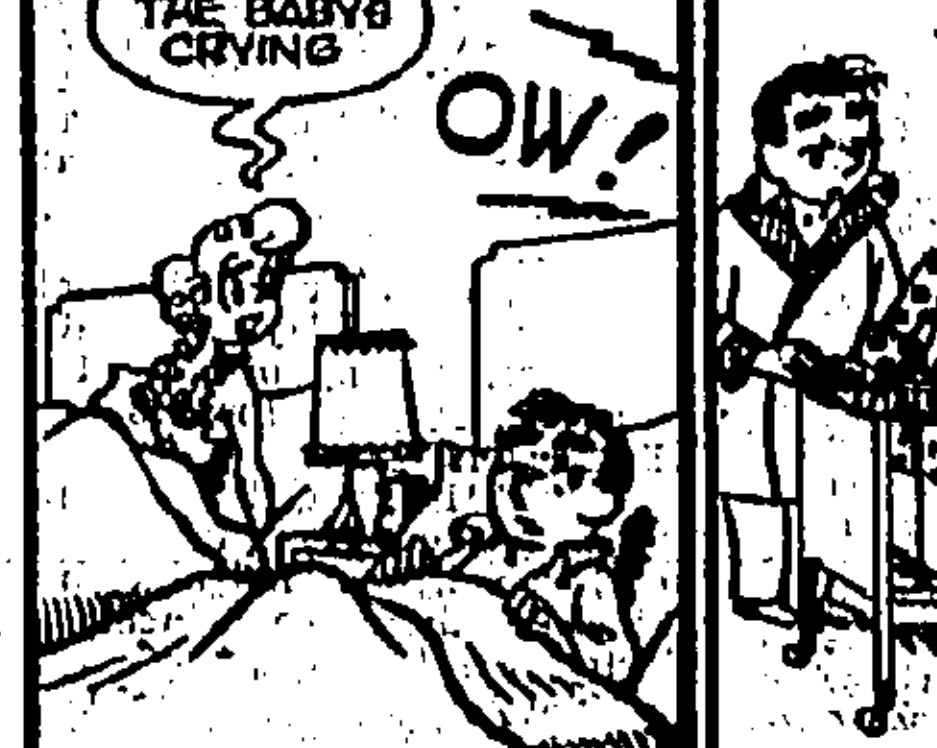
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THE GAMBOLS

By Barry Appleby





A group photo of the visiting Tao Kong lady softballers and the all-Hongkong team together with team and match officials before their match on Saturday at King's Park.
The visitors won the match by 5-1. — China Mail Photo.

TAO KONG LADY SOFTBALLERS CHALK UP TWO WINS DESPITE THEIR INSIPID DISPLAYS

By OLLY VAS

The Tao Kong ladies' softball team from Taiwan came, saw and conquered but disappointed with a capital "D" for on the strength of the reputation that preceded them to these shores much more was expected than the insipid displays they actually put up.

Of course they won their two weekend matches as predicted, taking the measure of the all-Hongkong team in the opening game on Saturday by a score of five runs to one and yesterday beating the Combined Chinese by 10 to five.

Our representatives covered themselves with glory, particularly in the opening match and had our coaching in the two games been of a higher standard, the heretofore would have been vastly different. The all-Hongkong side had a case of "big game nerves" right from the start as was evident from left-fielder Frances da Silva's botching of an easy grounder in the opening inning of the game. The packed stands as well as the spectators on the hillside were silent when the first batter up, Tao Kong's Choi Ming-chue was issued a base on balls by Hongkong pitcher Yim Lai-shung. There was a murmur from the crowd when Choi was tagged out in an unsuccessful attempt to steal second.

Scoreless Innings

The next batter up, Ng Yue-him filed to left field for the second out. Choi Lai-shu then hit an easy grounder which Frances da Silva kicked around to enable Choi to end up at second base but the next batter up, Lai Ching-choi could only manage a feeble grounder to third to be tossed out to end the inning.

In Hongkong's turn at bat, da Silva hit a fly ball to the outfield for the first out. Helen Lung then blasted a fast pitch past second base but on an attempted steal was easily put out by an accurate throw from Taiwan catcher, Choi Lai-shu to shortstop Choi Margaret. Lam hit safely to get on but Cecilia Ozorio failed to beat the throw to first and the game's second frame got under way.

With two down and the first run of the game in the offing when Tao Kong had runners on second and third bases Ngan Wah-mai half-heartedly hit an outside pitch and Cecilia Ozorio, Hongkong's first-sacker made a beautiful lunging catch to end the inning and spoil the visitors' bid to score.

Neat Double Play

In Hongkong's half of this inning Kwok Lai-ying got on base via a sacrifice. But Frances Beck's hard-hit line drive to centre was well fielded and relayed to first to catch Kwok off base for a neat double play. Pat Ewra was out on a fly ball to centre field and the third inning got going with the scoreboard still blank for both sides. Tao Kong were out in 1-2-3 order during their turn at bat. Up to this stage the game had been as dull as unpolished silverware but it suddenly took a turn for the better in Hongkong's half of the third inning.

Tao Kong third baseman C. T. Lai with one down stopped a sizzling shot off the bat of Carmen Mattos in typical Benny Omar style to earn a round of applause but failed to toss Carmen out.

Frances da Silva then pushed her to third by hitting a long double to right field. Helen Lung got her second hit of the game, a sharp single to right to score Mattos for the game's opening run.

Home-Run

With two runners in scoring position the situation called for hit-and-run tactics but no instructions to "bunt" were forthcoming and the next two batters could only lift pop flies to close the inning with Hongkong now in the lead by a solitary run.

In the top of the fourth Tao Kong had a chance to draw level but they frittered away scoring chances and the fifth opened with Hongkong still ahead 1-0.

Helen Lung put her foot in the way of a grounder and when she picked up the ball Tao Kong's Ng Yue-him was already safe at first.

A double by the next batter followed.

With two on, lucky Lai Ching-choi slashed a home-run

ball way over the head of left-fielder da Silva, good for three runs.

Exactly 50 minutes had passed when this happened and that was the first and last bit of excitement the game produced.

Tao Kong held Hongkong scoreless for the last two frames while they went on to tally twice more, once in the top of the sixth and again in the last frame when Lam Shou-lin stole home to put the game on ice, the final score being 5-1 in Tao Kong's favour.

Outstanding

For the visitors, shortstop M. C. Choi, catcher L. S. Choi and pitcher Lam were outstanding. The outfield showed supreme confidence in their handling of the fly balls which came their way.

For all-Hongkong the pick of the bunch was undoubtedly pitcher Lim Lai-shung. She

worked like a trojan on the mound, displayed a fine sense of anticipation and covered up home plate and third base on the outfield throw-ins like a veteran.

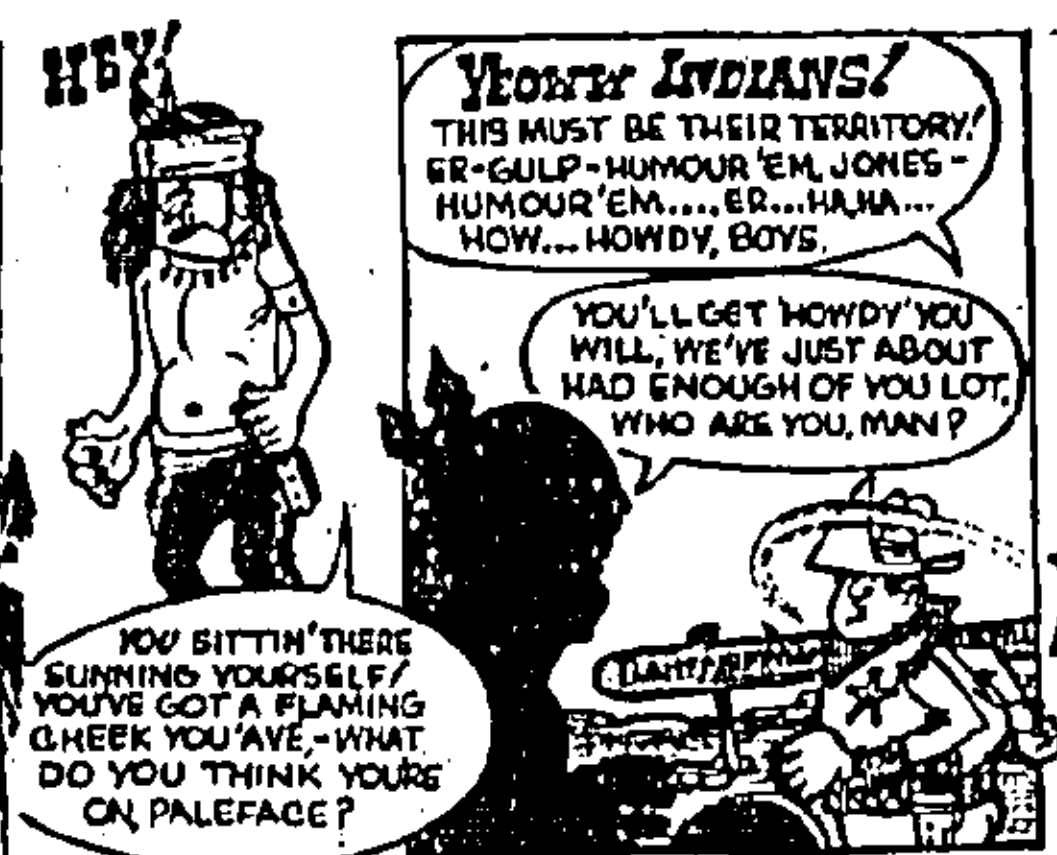
Out Of Her Depth

On the whole the all-Hongkong side can look back with some satisfaction on this match except perhaps for Frances Beck who was sadly out of her depth at third base.

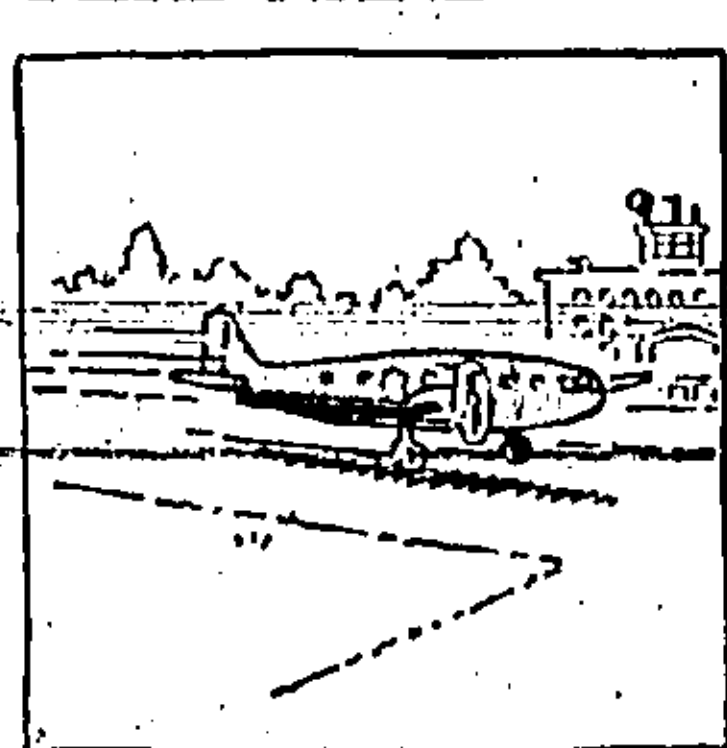
Her reluctance to move from the base to field a hard-hit ball or the numerous foul balls and her shying away from a brilliant slide into the sack by a Tao Kong player showed that she would have been more at home in her regular position as the University's shortstop. On the whole it was a very tame affair.

Tao Kong will play their final game this Wednesday, against the HK University at King's Park at 4 p.m.

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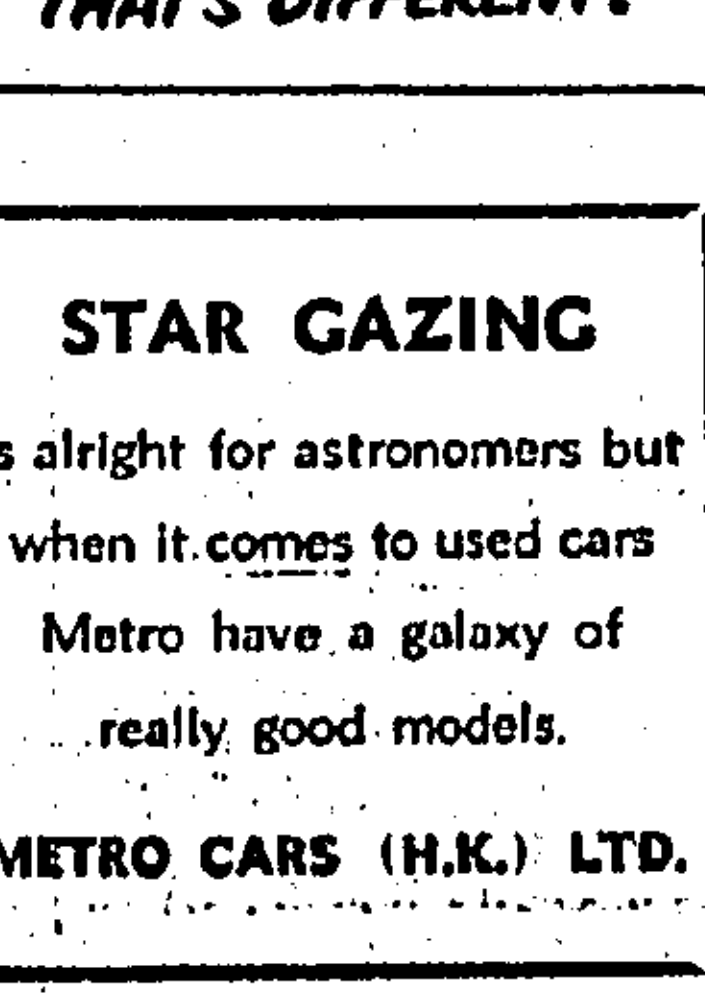
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First Airmen To Be Blarney Stone Rugger Champions

R.A.F. MAINLAND CLAIM TITLE WITH HARD WON 5-3 VICTORY OVER POLICE IN THE FINAL

By PAK LO

For the first time in the history of the Blarney Stone Shield Knock-out seven-a-side competition an Air Force seven became deserving champions.

In a hard fought final on Saturday RAF Mainland overcame the Police by five points (one goal) to three points (one try), to claim the privilege of having the name of their team engraved on the trophy.

After the match Mrs Stoker, wife of Mr W. Stoker, Chairman of the HKRU presented the trophy to Martin, the captain of the winning team. Also presented were the hexangular tournament Trophy to the joint winners, Club and Army North, and the "31" Cup to Navy, winners for the second year running.

The semi-finals started with the favourites Green Howards "B" just managing to scrape through into the next round by eight points (one goal, one try) to five points (one goal) after extra time had been played.

The first semi-final put the Bankers out of the picture and satisfied those critics who, after their previous narrow three-point win in the second round, gave them little hope of progressing much further in the competition. RAF Mainland made short work of them by winning by eight points (one goal, one try) to nil.

Big Surprise

The second last quarter-final saw the seeded Police team squeak through by six points (two tries) to five points (one goal) into the semi-finals, where they were joined by Club "A" who scored the only try of the match in the very last second with Steven touching down to give them victory over a hard-going Ceylon "A" Seven.

The second semi-final provided the big surprise of the

evening when the airmen emerged the victors over Club "A" by nine points (two tries, one dropped goal) to five points (one goal).

Green Howards "B" v. RAF Mainland

The Green Howards were quick off the mark and before

Weightlifting Record Broken

Moscow, March, 15. Heavyweight, weightlifter Alexei Medvedev today set a new world record with a two-hand snatch of 151 kilograms, Tass reported.

The Soviet news agency said the Russian exceeded by 5 kilograms the record held by Dave Ashman, an American, U.F.I.

by MADDOCKS



The Champion RAF Mainland seven.

but even this made little difference.

The Police took a long time to settle into an attacking force but they were always harassing and upsetting the Club whose passing again let them down at the critical moments.

The final score was five points (one goal) to three points (one try), and the closeness reflects the play.

RAF Mainland v. Police "A"

This final was from the spectators' point of view an exciting match with the fortunes of the game swaying from one side to the other.

The airmen started with a strong attack from a lineout deep in their own half but a forward pass marred their chances, and Johnston sent play back into the RAF half with a kick.

Police continued to press and were awarded a penalty for offside and Haigh sliced it. The airmen fumbled the kick and Haigh who was following it up fast got to it, but in his turn fumbled his chance under the posts.

Pressed Back

After this the airmen swung onto the attack and making full use of their fast three had the Police fighting desperately to keep them at bay.

Martin broke through but his pass was knocked on when the airmen fumbled. Soon thereafter the ball went to Aherm who scored under the posts. Martin converted to make it 5-0.

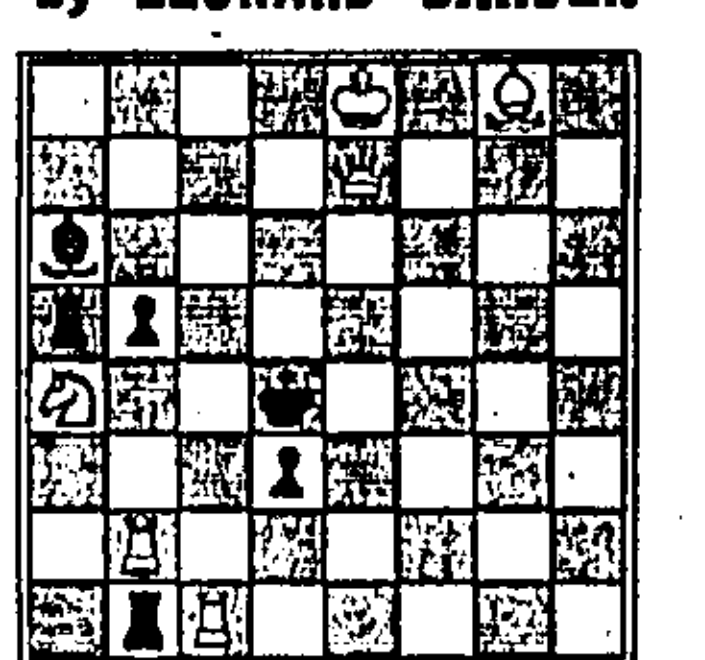
The Police pressed back after this upset but left it to the airmen to show them how to play 'sevans' rugby. The Police, however, were tackling and covering extremely well and Martin just could not find the gap to send his fast three racing through.

Then Blach broke away but could not connect up with his inside-men after his run down the wing, and a lineout resulted. This became a set scrum and Johnston getting the ball, broke away, kicked neatly over the airmen's heads, and raced through to gather and score well out.

While the crowd waited with baited breath Johnston took the kick, but it sailed just clear of the uprights. With the game in its dying seconds the Police had no hope of scoring again, and RAF Mainland ran off the victors.

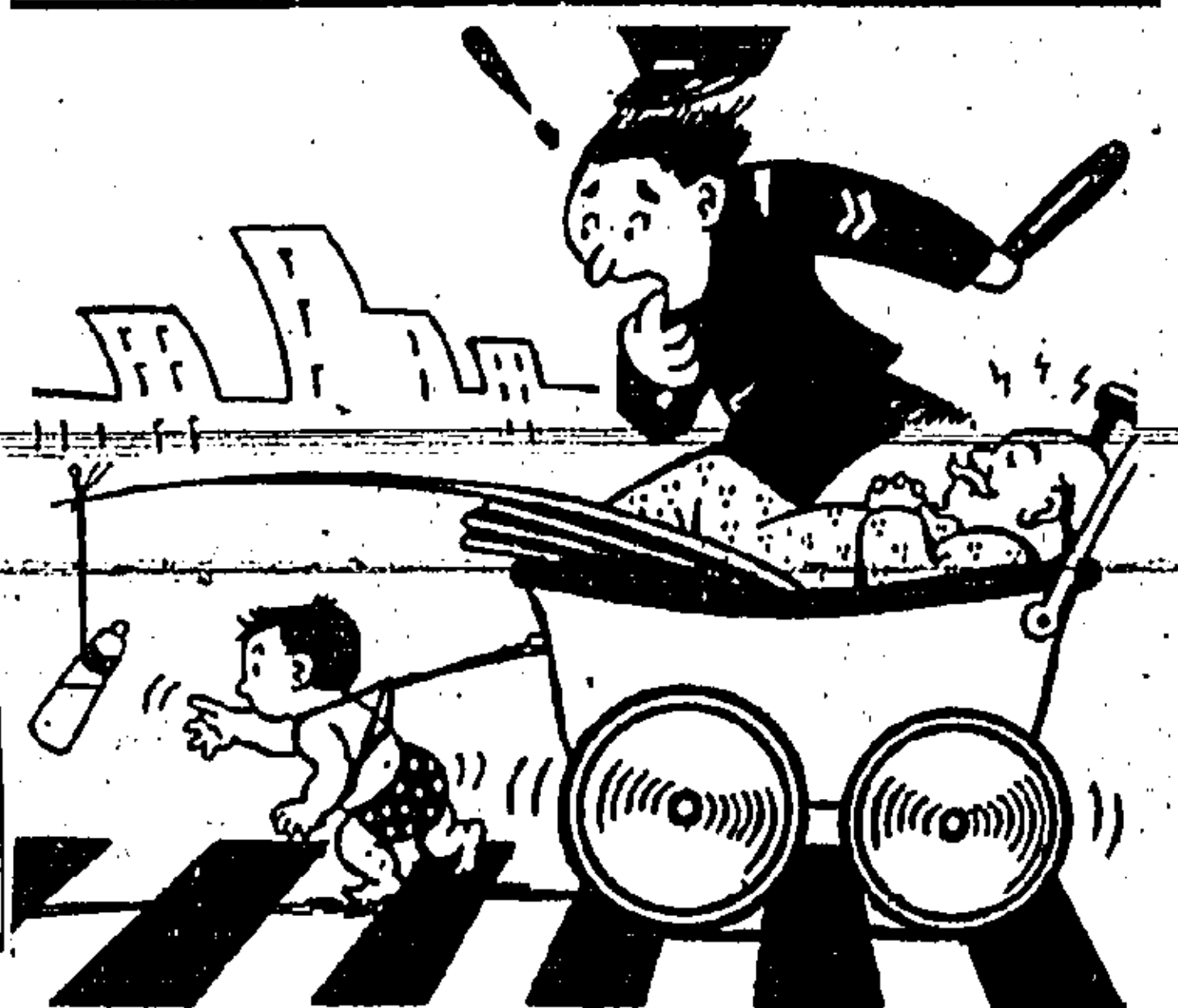
CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN



Here is a problem by J. Hartong (La Schachlera, 1955). White to play and mate in two moves.

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CEMENT CONSUMPTION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bankruptcies

Sir,—In a very recent issue of your paper, you published Mr. Justice Rees's comment that the action of a certain bankrupt in Hongkong was nothing short of systematic robbery.

It is well known in Hongkong that traders go about obtaining credits from import firms and after a certain time declare inability to pay. They later on go back into trade under the name of someone else.

There had been cases of big firms closing down with millions owing to the bank and the public. The very owners are again in business but under the name of someone else. Of course before they declare bankruptcy they do salt much money belonging to bank and public and under the wife's name or brother's name and then get into trade again.

In certain European countries the books of any firm have to be checked periodically by government and stamped. In Hongkong how many merchant firms operate without books? When they declare bankruptcy, the criminal investigation of bankruptcy officials are only presented with "Statements of Accounts" but no books, and how very often are these thoroughly fictitious?

For the protection of trade and to maintain our prestige abroad, Government should establish a special Bankruptcy Inquiry Department with first-class commercial crimes detectives to check thoroughly into the base of every bankrupt.

Why?

Sir,—Why didn't Mr. Anthony Fuller, in his "Home Before Dark" review, mention the shock scene, which Jean Simmons, for all her sensibility, is too immature to carry off?

N. T. CHOW.

A RECORD LAST YEAR

The domestic consumption of cement in Hongkong last year was an all time record.

\$5,490 In Cash Jewellery Stolen

Thieves broke into the first floor of No. 63, Lockhart Road between midnight last night and 6 o'clock this morning and stole a sum of money, jewellery and a wrist watch, totally valued at \$5,490.

Police are investigating.

Boy Killed In Lorry Accident

A nine-year-old boy, Tao Chi-yu, of No. 22, Sub-section 1, Section 1, Homanin Reclamation Area, was fatally injured when he was knocked down by a lorry in Pui Ching Road, near Waterloo Road, last night.

The lad died shortly after arrival at Kowloon Hospital. Seven other people were injured in traffic accidents yesterday. In one case, two men, 37-year-old Cheong Yan-chong and 35-year-old Leung Tat were knocked down by a private car whilst riding a tandem bicycle in Boundary Street, near Embankment Road.

This was stated in the report presented at the annual general meeting of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. held this morning.

Mr D. Benson, Chairman of Directors, said in his statement that retained imports of cement in 1958, but the company managed to increase slightly the share of the market, and, as the market itself was also bigger, the company's actual sales showed an improvement.

Mr Benson said 1958 was a year of moderate world recession, and neighbouring countries which had greatly expanded their cement-producing capacity since the war had been more intent than ever on finding an outlet for their surplus.

Attractive

"Hongkong proved one of the most attractive markets. Competition has thus been acute, and the average price received by us per ton of cement last year was nearly \$12 lower than in 1957. The same was broadly true of our sales to markets outside Hongkong.

The report recorded that the company made a net profit of \$3,699,065 compared with \$2,780,915 for 1957. The Directors recommended \$3 and a bonus of 25 cents per share and to transfer to the dividend equalisation reserve of \$800,000. A shareholder's dividend equalisation reserve had been established to cushion the effect which a lean period might have on the dividend, the report added.

The annual report and statement of accounts were adopted. Messrs H. R. Cleland and H. Kadoorie, were re-elected directors.

Sharp Fall In Temperature

Yesterday Hongkong basked in a warm sun which pushed the temperature up to 70 degrees. But this morning the temperature dropped to 53.4.

And more of the same kind of weather is forecast for tomorrow.

A spokesman for the Royal Observatory said this morning it should remain fine and warm this afternoon, with the temperature climbing to about 73 degrees, but it will get cold again after sunset.

KOWLOON HIT-AND-RUN: POLICE ASK FOR HELP

The Police are seeking information concerning a fatal motor accident which occurred in Argyle Street, near its junction with Shirling Road, at 10.35 p.m. on Thursday, March 12.

In the accident, a middle-aged man was knocked down and fatally injured by a private car which failed to stop after the accident.

The car, believed to be a new model two-tone Opel saloon, was last seen travelling at a very fast speed in the direction of Clear Water Bay Road.

The front office mudguard of the car may have been extensively damaged as a result of the accident.

Any person who witnessed the incident, is asked to get in touch with the Traffic Accident Enquiry Office, Kowloon Police Headquarters.

Triad Man Gets 18 Months' Gaol

A self-confessed "straw sandals" — Triad society messenger — was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour by Mr T. Creedon at Kowloon Court this morning.

The defendant, Chu Yuk-ki, 38, an unlicensed hawkker, of 150 Yee Kok Street, first floor, pleaded guilty to being a member of a Triad society.

He said that 17 years ago he had been forced to join the Wo Shing Wo Triad by a man called Tang Shing.

He said he paid \$6.00 to join. Five years ago, in 1953, he told the court he was promoted to "432", or "straw sandals" (a messenger).

Defendant said he had paid \$14 to a man called Yeung Lam, as promotion fee.

Chinese Opera In English 'The Fighting Bride'

THE great thing about Father Sheridan's stage productions, is that he has acquired the happy knack of transporting all the business of the Chinese stage to a European audience without losing anything on the way.

Those who know their theatre will see that apart from elaborate sets and such things as foot and spot lights, the Chinese stage has much in common with the old English theatre.

These include the business of stage conventions shared by both players and audience, the greater appeal to imagination which more modern productions dispense with, and so on.

"The Fighting Bride," is no exception. Here, Fr. Sheridan has taken a 17th century opera, retained most of the previous humour, and spiced it up with modern idiom. The result is a couple of hours or so of sheer broad fun.

One has come to expect the elaborate costumes, the sequins and peacock's feathers, which bloom so extravagantly under the brilliant lights, but it is my opinion that this production excels because so many of the players have acquired the graceful movements of the Peking theatre.

For instance Molly Woo, the leader of the Lady Warriors. By a flimsy of the hand, or flick of the tongue, she conveyed the situation immediately to those of the audience in the know.

I have said, the humour is broad. It revolves upon such situations as a "Lad" or "Lad" bird. The mention of "water melon" which invokes a painful memory. But over and above this, the supremacy of women and that at a time when ancient China was accustomed to a male dominated society.

In fact, one can imagine as many frowns as smiles when this play opened for its first production.

It is a bit daring for an Englishman to pronounce upon what is best in an Oriental production, but I thought Wong Chin-wei got over his song, "A soldier's life is a hard one," in a very amusing manner; while for good down to earth comedy, however Wong put over the dual roles of a general and the prince, with a controlled abandon.

Where this play scored again (remember I am writing this for European readers) is, in its timing.

This tap-tap-tap business, and the clash of cymbals, is not put in just for fun; it regulates a rhythmic passage of action or words. One of the songs takes on a Gilbertian-like melody which is tapped out on a block. The actor is permitted no licence, and outbursts the words to an exacting metronome beat.

I think that any foreigner who assumes to have an interest in the ancient traditions around him, should see this play. It is the perfect vehicle which links the Occident with the Orient, and with the few conventions Fr. Sheridan mentions before the play opens, the most recent Johnny Newcome can spend not only an interesting, but exciting evening in the Chinese theatre.

(The Fighting Bride will be presented this weekend at Wah Yan College, Kowloon.)

SMALLPOX SCARE IN JAPAN

Osaka, March 16. The six-year-old son of a Chinese, Mao Kuo-tang, was found suffering from smallpox on Sunday, and Japanese health officials immediately vaccinated some 8,000 people living near his home.

All 800,000 citizens of the city are expected to be inoculated today.—U.P.

How Malaya And Singapore Deal With Triads

By DAVID T. K. WONG

Special To The China Mail

Singapore.

BOTH Singapore and the Federation of Malaya are suffering from the same malady as Hongkong—the galloping cancer of criminal secret society activities—and in both territories its threat is as dangerous as that of Communist subversion.

In the Federation of Malaya, one law after another has had to be passed in the last few months to combat this noxious growth.

The latest one, just passed, provides for the drawing up of a list of the names of the 15,000 known gangsters in the Malayan underworld. Everyone whose name appears on the list loses his freedom of movement, is subjected to police supervision and, if convicted of a criminal offence, is liable to whipping in addition to double the normal penalty for the offence.

Two Years

In Singapore, where hardly a day goes by without some unfortunate victim being mutilated or done to death by hoodlums, a special Criminal Law Ordinance has been operating since last August.

Under its terms a person can be arrested and detained without trial for up to two years.

On the surface, these laws may appear drastic. Some aspects of them are downright undesirable for a democratic society. But there is general agreement that they are necessary.

The reason is that the secret societies have been successful in establishing a widespread reign of terror, so much so that few would venture to testify against them in normal criminal proceedings.

Their vengeance is swift and certain. It usually takes the form of beatings with hideous chains and iron rods, disfigurement with acid attacks with knives and skillets or one of a number of forms of death.

Broad Daylight

One of the most outrageous and sadistic crimes ever perpetrated by the secret societies in Singapore occurred just a few days ago.

Two cousins were stopped in the streets in broad daylight by the hoodlums, taken to a back lane and for four hours were beaten with bicycle chains and tortured with lighted cigarettes. As if that were not enough they were also branded and thrown into a ditch with their hands tied behind their backs.

It is not known whether anyone heard their cries during their long ordeal, but if someone did, he certainly made no attempt to go to their aid.

It appears that the gangsters in that area had grown so strong that they had imposed their own curfew in the area. The cousins appear to have done nothing more serious than to violate their curfew.

One of the victims is still in a critical condition and he may well go down as part of the secret society record of two murders a month.

The root of this mounting secret society activity can be traced to the rising unemployment in both territories. Men who can find no means of livelihood join the secret societies to get money by kidnapping, extortion, operating protection rackets and even murder.

Funerals Too

If they are caught, the secret societies have a fund to provide for lawyers' fees and for the support of their families while they are in prison. If they are killed the secret societies pay for funeral expenses and look after their families.

One of the most disturbing features of the secret societies in Singapore and Malaya is their hold on the young. Just as in Hongkong, the gangsters have made great inroads into schools and most of the members are under the age of 21.

In Singapore, there are two major camps in the secret society organisation—the 08 Group and the 24 Group. Between them they control most of the fifty gangs here. Each gang numbers 40 or 50 members and they have glamorous names like the Tawna Gang, the Black Tigers, the Robin Hood Gang, the Heroes, and so on.

From the Files

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AGO

Sir Elly Kadoorie, KBE, and Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie will be passengers by the Edipress of Britain, arriving on Saturday, March 17. They will be passing through on their way back to Shanghai after several months in Europe.

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THE immortalised Sah Lee Sah, daughter of a great warrior and Fairy of Disobedience, has succumbed to the lure of American gold.

Her beautiful ivory body was transferred yesterday from Messrs Komor and Komor to the possession of Mr George S. Capelle, of the luxury liner, Laurine for a price undisclosed and tomorrow at the age of 200 years or more the Fairy of Disobedience begins a world tour.

Mr Capelle who hails from Wilmington, Delaware, was intrigued with the story of this ivory statue whose model is reputed to have lived in the Chien Lung Dynasty. The figure standing two feet high and is beautifully worked.

★ ★ ★

The funeral of the late Mr H. L. Pereira, whose death occurred at his home at 25 Yuk Sau Street, Wongnei-cheng, was held yesterday. The Rev. Fr. page officiated.

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E. C. FINCHER, the KCC batsman, scored his first league century of the season when he carried his bat for 107 against the Civil Service Cricket Club on Saturday. KCC scored 200 while Civil Service replied with 149 for three wickets. G. R. Sayer scoring 53 and J. E. Richardson and J. Barrow each 31.

★ ★ ★

Marking another milestone in the progress of the South China Athletic Association, the inaugural ceremony in connection with its new pavilion at Caroline Hill was performed by His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, in the presence of a large gathering.

On arrival the Governor was received by members of the committee, headed by Mr M. K. Lo and by the Hon. Mr R. H. Kwan (Hon. Vice President), Mr O. W. Luke (Chairman), Mr J. D. Bush, Mr Peter Sin and others.

Theft Of Radio

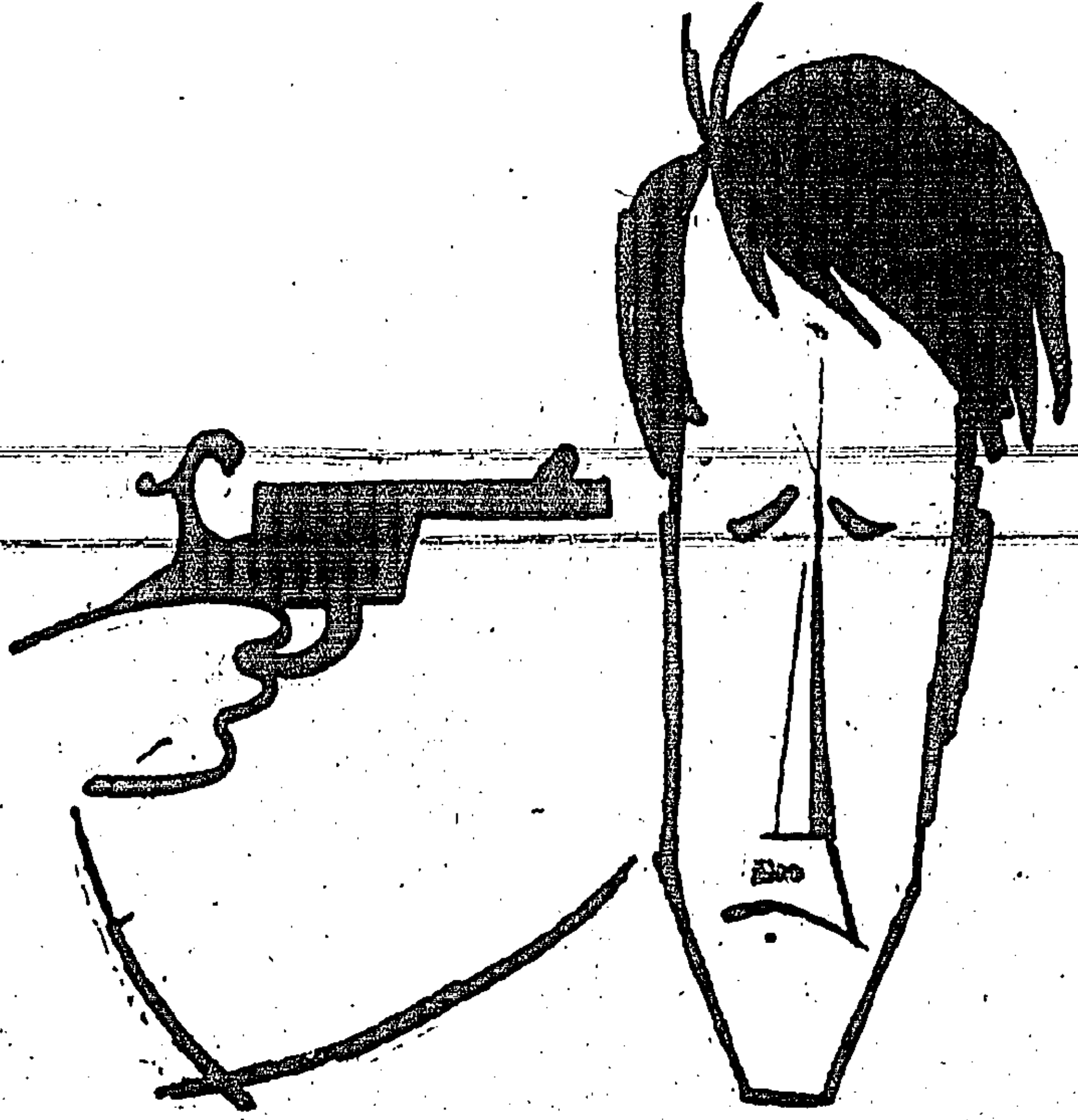
A portable radio, worth \$130, was stolen from a private car parked outside the Government Stadium, Sookmupoo yesterday afternoon.

This Funny World



"I'm not sure but I think it's something called a walkie."

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I could shoot myself
all she wants from me
is a charge account
at

Paquerette

Don't give up, boy, just give the price is right